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TELEGRAMS.

THE TITANIC DISASTER.

Mr. Ismay not allowed to leave America.

STORY OF POSTAL CLERKS' UNEALTERING HEROISM.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 21, 12.50 p.m.
Received Hongkong, April 22, 12.50 a.m.

An official report has been received by the postmaster-general at Washington to the effect that two English and three American postal clerks on the Titanic, disregarding their own safety, worked incessantly, carrying two hundred registered mail sacks to the upper deck in the hope that they would thus be saved. They continued to work to the last and were all drowned.

TRIBUTE TO STEAD.

Reuter's correspondent at the Hague states that the journal "Vaterland" says that in Stead the world has lost a worker and fighter and hero without equal. It suggests that if grateful humanity desires to erect a monument to his memory the Hague would honour itself by offering a site in the shadow of the Palace of Peace.

TOTAL LOSS OF LIFE.

Bombay, April 20, 7.10 a.m.
Received April 21, 2.1 p.m.

A message from New York states that the total loss of life is 1,595. Innumerable narratives of passengers are published varying in details, but all confirming the point that the shock was scarcely noticeable. It was generally thought that the liner merely struck the ice glancingly, and the calmness of the sea reassured passengers, this explaining the absence of panic throughout.

PARTING SCENES.

The scenes of husbands parting with their wives who were forced to enter the boats were terribly painful; and some of the wives refused to leave their husbands and in consequence perished with them.

The reports of Captain Smith's suicide and the suicides of other officers emanated apparently from a half-demented passenger who was one of the first to land.

HOW THE CAPTAIN DIED.

Mr. George Braden says he saw Captain Smith as the Titanic sank standing alone, when a wave came and knocked him down. He regained his feet, but then another wave carried him off and he disappeared.

PROMINENT SURVIVORS.

Apart from the prominent persons already mentioned the following are among the missing:—

Mr. Thomas Andrews, a nephew of Lord Pirrie, director of Harland and Wolff, the builders of the Titanic.

Mr. Bell, chief engineer of Harland and Wolff.

Mr. Van der Hoff.

Mr. Carleton Young, a prominent man in Minneapolis.

Mr. Burbank, a prominent Californian naturalist and cultivator of thousands of hybrids.

Mr. Parsons, an ex-Congressman of New York.

Mr. Marvin, who was on his honeymoon.

Mr. Christopher Head, ex-mayor of Chelsea.

Professor Ross, of Wisconsin University.

Mr. Thayer, president of the Pennsylvania Railway.

Mr. Roebing, one of the steel millionaires of America.

Mr. Reuchlin, of the Holland Amerika line of steamships.

Mr. Millet, a well-known American artist.

Mr. Warren, an ex-senator.

Senator Carter.

Colonel May.

Dr. Minahan.

Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Figler and Mrs. Ellinger, all well known in New York Society.

Mrs. Carter, a Pennsylvania society lady.

Senator Cardenza, of Rio de Janeiro.

Mr. Marechal, of Washington.

Mr. F. G. Harper, the publisher, and his wife.

Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Stenger and Mrs. Douglas, well-known hostesses of New York.

Mr. Hoyt and his wife.

Ex-Governor Washington.

Miss Margaret Graham, an actress, of California.

Miss Eustis, of New York.

Miss Gladys Cherry.

Mr. Bruce Ismay has instructed all lines belonging to the International Mercantile Company to equip all their steamers with sufficient lifeboats and rafts to carry all on board.

REFORMS EXPECTED.

Consternation has been caused by the publication of tables showing that on many of the leading lines the boat accommodation is sufficient for only one person in three. The outcry is likely to lead to stringent reforms.

GERMAN INTEREST.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that the Reichstag is discussing a motion suggesting legislation for enforcing that a sufficiency of boats be carried on German liners.

The Hamburg Amerika Line has decided to provide all the company's vessels with lifeboats sufficient to carry every passenger.

REICHSTAG DEBATE.

During a debate in the Reichstag on the 20th Herr Arendt urged that all ships should be required to carry a full complement of wireless operators; also that navigation be subjected to international and even penal regulations. Minister Delbrueck said the big shipping companies had been discussing an improvement regarding life-saving for some days, and he was convinced that they would help the Government to frame up-to-date regulations. The question of international regulations was being already considered, and the motion was withdrawn.

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THE TITANIC DISASTER.

INTERNATIONAL LAW.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Reuter's correspondent at Washington wires that the Senate has passed a resolution advising the President to make treaties with the maritime Powers governing the courses, speed and equipment of ocean liners.

The White Star Company has issued a statement to the effect that 1,635 have perished.

The United States Hydrographic Office has ordered the course of Atlantic liners to be moved 180 miles south of that used by the Titanic.

MR. ISMAY'S STORY.

Mr. Bruce Ismay has cabled home that the Titanic collided with a low-lying iceberg. The weather was clear, the stars were shining and the sea was calm. The vessel struck a glancing blow, apparently tearing the starboard side open about the bilge for a considerable length.

RELIEF FUNDS.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has contributed 250 guineas to the relief fund. Other contributions are: Lord and Lady Pirrie, £2,000; Harland and Wolff, the builders of the Titanic, one thousand guineas; W. W. Astor, £2,000; Lord Strathcona, £500; Gaskwar of Baroda, £500; Duke of Westminster, £250; Barnato and Co., £250; Otto Beit, £200; the passengers of the Olympic, £1,400.

The Lord Mayor of Liverpool has cabled a thousand pounds sterling to New York for the immediate relief of the survivors. The London "Daily Mail's" fund has reached seven thousand pounds sterling and that of the London "Daily Telegraph" five thousand seven hundred pounds.

NO STRUGGLING.

Mr. Ismay, examined by the Committee of the Senate, said it was untrue that the Titanic was going at full speed. He and the captain arranged to arrive in New York on the night of the 17th (Wednesday), not deeming it wise to proceed at full speed on the first trip. Mr. Ismay said he was asleep at the time of the collision and was unaware of the proximity of icebergs. He did not see any till after the wreck. There was no struggling by the men to enter the boats. He did not see the Titanic sink as he sat with his back to her, not wishing to see.

SECOND OFFICER'S STATEMENT.

The investigation by the Committee of the Senate is prolonged but rather perfunctory, says Reuter's New York correspondent. After Ismay, Roston, the captain of the Carpathia and Marconi had been examined, Mr. Lightoller, the second officer of the Titanic, testified that he was in charge of the launching of the boats on the port side. When the first boat was lowered the deck was seventy feet above the water and when the last boat was launched the deck was only a few feet above the water. He maintained that the boats were well filled, preference being always given to women.

TELEGRAMS.

THE TITANIC DISASTER.

WONDERFUL ESCAPE.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Questioned as to the saving of so many of the crew, Mr. Lightoller said that he had specially enquired into this matter and ascertained that out of every six persons picked up from the water five were either firemen or stewards; further, he said, some of the lifeboats returned after the sinking of the Titanic and rescued men from the sea. No demonstration occurred on board, not even lamentation by those who were left behind. He himself escaped by diving. As the ship sank he was sucked under and held by a ventilator. A terrific gust came up the ventilator, due probably to a boiler explosion, and he was blown clear and came to the surface near a boat.

"YOU ARE A FOOL."

At the Senate's enquiry the Titanic's wireless operator, Mr. Bride, who had his feet badly injured, was brought from hospital. He testified that at five o'clock on Sunday afternoon he intercepted a message from the liner Californian, announcing the presence of three huge icebergs. He informed the captain of the message. The German liner Frankfurt was the nearest vessel to the Titanic, and twenty minutes after the distress signal had been sent out its operator enquired, "What's the matter?" The Titanic's operator, Mr. Phillips, who was drowned, replied, "You are a fool; keep out." The Carpathia was then hastening to the help of the Titanic.

Mr. Bride added that water reached the bridge before the vessel sank. The captain remained till the last, and refused to don a life-preserver. He jumped overboard.

NOT UNDER TOW.

The Carpathia's operator denied wirelessing that the Titanic was being towed. The Olympic has arrived at Plymouth, and the captain denied all knowledge of a wireless message saying that all the Titanic's passengers were safe, and that the Titanic was in tow.

A BITTER COMPLAINT.

Despite the protests of the White Star Company's counsel the senatorial committee has refused to permit Mr. Ismay, the four officers of the Titanic and twelve of the crew to leave the country. The committee has adjourned to Washington, where Mr. Ismay and the others have been subpoenaed to appear on Monday although Mr. Ismay is on the verge of collapse. Mr. Ismay bitterly complains of the unfairness and injustice of the committee's conduct of the inquiry.

MR. ISMAY ATTACKED.

In the Senate at Washington Senator Rayner in the course of a violent speech attacked Mr. Bruce Ismay and expressed the opinion that legal steps should be taken against the White Star officials for the insufficiency of the life-saving appliances on the Titanic.

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THE TITANIC DISASTER.

A SPIRITED PROTEST.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Reuter's Washington correspondent wires that in the Senate Mr. McCumber protested against "the trial, conviction and execution on the floor of the Senate, without fair and honest consideration, of one connected with the Titanic." He evidently referred to Mr. Rayner's speech on the 20th.

Reuter's New York correspondent states that a wireless message was sent by Mr. Ismay from the Carpathia to Mr. Franklin ordering the sailing of the Cedric to be delayed in order to take Mr. Ismay and the survivors and crew to England. The message was intercepted by Government officials and sent to Washington. This is the reason of the Senate Committee, which met on the 19th April, hurrying to New York.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

London, April 21, 7.25 a.m.
The Admiralty has ordered memorial services for the Titanic on all warships. Tomorrow their flags will be half-masted.

ATHLETICS.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 20, 6.20 p.m.

The following amateur championships were decided to-day:—Seven miles walking championship: 1, Bridge, Lancashire; 2, Yates, Salford; 3, Ross, Middlesex. Time, 52 mins. 43.5 secs. Ten miles running championship: Scott, Salford; 2, Humphreys, Herne-hill; 3, Tucker, Reading. Time, 52 mins. 35 secs.

FOOTBALL.

CUP FINAL.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 21, 7.25 a.m.

The final for the English F.A. Cup was played yesterday. West Bromwich and Barnsley were the finalists and the game resulted in a draw, no goals being scored on either side.

The match took place at the Crystal Palace in beautiful weather and before an attendance of 60,000 spectators.

Bromwich were the superior side, doing most of the attacking in the first half, but Barnsley's defence was sound. In the second half both sides alternately attacked but without result.

RACQUETS.

WILLIAMS AT HOME.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 20, 4.20 a.m.
Williams is returning to England having postponed the match for which he was standing for the world's championship at Newport.

TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN AVIATION.

A NATIONAL SCHEME.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 21 6.25 p.m.
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Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the committee formed to organize a national fund has issued a stirring appeal to the patriotism of the people irrespective of party, creed or class. It is signed by Prince Henry of Prussia, as patron, the ex-Minister of the Interior, Herr Pasadowsky as president, and the great banker Herr Von Mendelssohn as treasurer. The committee includes the Emperor's brother-in-law Duke Ernst of Schleswig Holstein, and hundreds of prominent people in finance, industry and politics.—Reuter.

TROUBLE IN SIBERIA.

TWO HUNDRED DEAD.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 21, 6.25 p.m.
Received Hongkong, April 22, 7.40 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg states that it is officially announced that 107 were shot dead during the trouble on the Lena goldfields. The number of wounded was 294, and of these 84 have died. The affair has caused intense indignation. The strikers whose leaders had been arrested against the advice of the companies, were advancing towards one of the mines when the troops barred the way. There was some stone-throwing and the troops fired volley after volley upon the strikers.—Reuter.

WOUNDED SHOT AT.

London, April 20, 11.55 p.m.
Received Hongkong, April 21, 5.50 a.m.

A message from St. Petersburg states that the volleys fired by the troops at Lena on the 18th inst. decimated the workmen, of whom 150 were killed and 250 wounded.

It is alleged that the wounded were shot as they were crawling to shelter.

The matter, which is being brought up in the Duma, is arousing universal indignation. The men have telegraphed asking for a full investigation, and the commander of the troops has asked for reinforcements and made a declaration of martial law.—Reuter.

TROUBLE AT FEZ.

FRENCH LOSSES.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 21, 12.5 p.m.
Received Hongkong, April 22, 12.50 a.m.

It is officially stated that eight French civilians and fifteen military instructors were murdered in the mutiny at Fez. General Moinier sustained eight killed and seventeen wounded in the fight on entering the city.—Reuter.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.

BRITISH REPORT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 20, 7.40 a.m.
Mr. Acland, in reply to Mr. Toulmin, said the report of the British delegates to the Opium Conference at the Hague had only just been received. The official records of the Conference and the documents submitted had not been received.

TELEGRAMS.

TRIPOLI WAR.

DARDANELLES OPENED.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 20, 7.35 p.m.
Received Hongkong, April 21, 8.30 a.m.

Constantinople reports that in view of the prejudice to shipping the Turkish Government has decided to reopen the Dardanelles.—Reuter.

AN EXPLANATION.

Reuter's correspondent in Rome wires that the Italian Fleet did not intend attacking and forcing the Dardanelles, nor had they the intention of landing. They merely hoped to induce the Turkish Fleet to come out and fight, and eventually, after two hours' cannonade with the forts, they, sheered off, having meanwhile cut several submarine cables.

FLOATING MINES.

Turkey notifies the release of a chain of floating mines, and consequently navigation in the Dardanelles is closed.

ITALIAN SQUADRON RETURNS.

Reuter is informed that the Italian squadron is returning to Italy having accomplished its object. Italian papers suggest that the demonstration by the squadron was intended to force the Turks to close the Dardanelles. This was brought to pass by Turkey releasing a chain of floating mines.

BALTIC UNEASY.

Lloyd's state that the Baltic is uneasy at the closing of the Dardanelles and chartering for the Black Sea is at a standstill. There are 150 steamers on the other side of the Bosphorus.—Reuter.

HUNGARIAN POLITICS.

NEW CABINET.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 20, 3 a.m.
Received April 21, 4.15 p.m.

Minister Lukacs is forming a new Hungarian Cabinet.

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Lucaas, has been appointed President of the new Hungarian Cabinet.

LATE MR. KESWICK.

LEAVES HALF A MILLION.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, April 20, 7.35 p.m.
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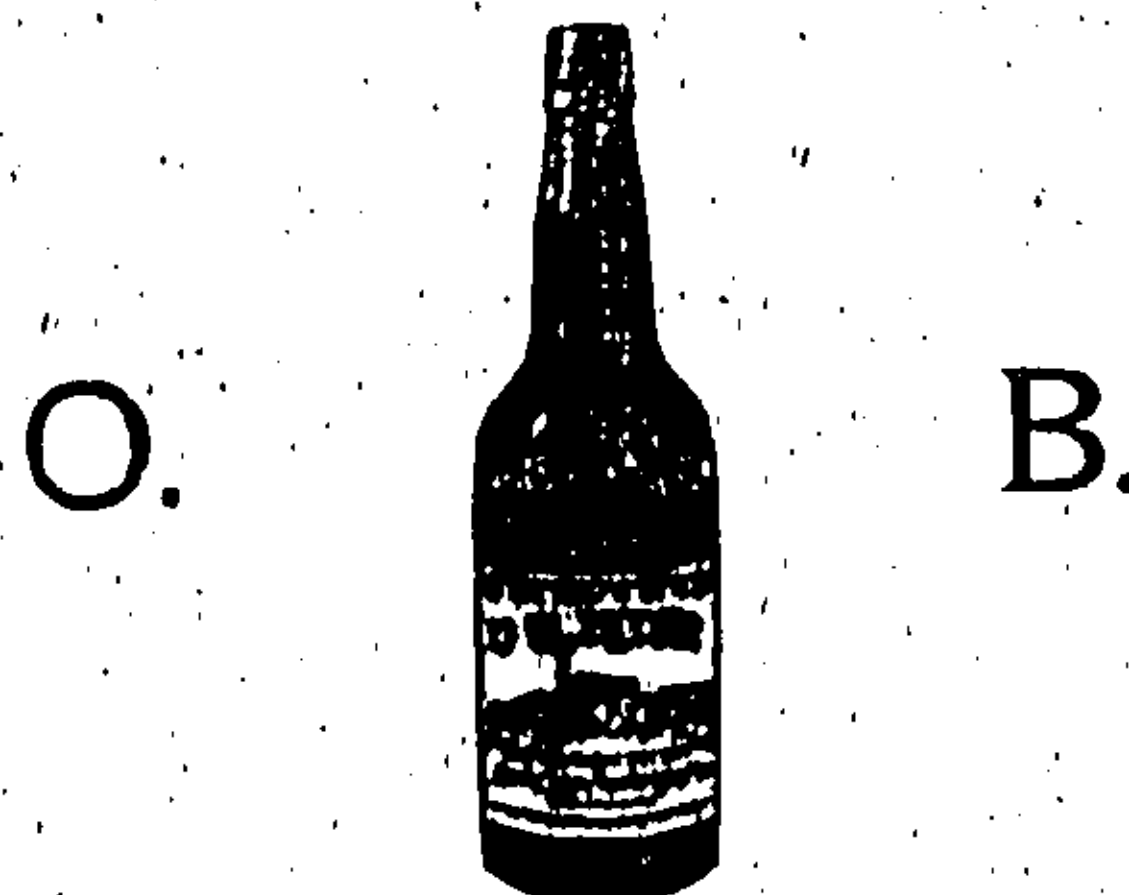
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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

Influence of Business Men on Government.

From many sources we gather there are evidences accumulating that the Governor-General is finding his task very onerous; he apparently feels that he is losing the sympathy of the best people of Canton. Only yesterday the papers reported that, owing to certain arbitrary alterations in the number of officials employed in Canton, which changes were distasteful to the general official mind, with the exception of the military and naval heads of departments, all the Chofs de Bureaux had resigned en masse. It is certainly no soft cushion on which Chan Kwing-ming sits, and there is little wonder that he condescends to write personally to the experienced business men of Hongkong to ask them to return to Canton, that they may give an impetus to the declining trade, and at the same time advise him in matters which, apparently, he is not quite competent to manage himself. Whether these gentlemen will rise to his bait remains to be seen. We should suspect that they will prefer to remain in Hongkong, where they can live without the worry that is incident to, if not absolutely inherent in, the local government of Canton to-day.

Daily Press.

Ways Out.

Man cannot prevent the endless variation which seems to be one of the laws of progress, but he can check the production of worthless types. Can the same principle be applied to social organization? Can the misery caused by the periodical dislocations of industrialism due to changing conditions or to failure of those concerned to keep pace with the times, not be averted by a similar utilization of natural laws? It is towards some such end that mankind is at present groping its way, and one is forced to admit that it is not altogether outside the bounds of possibility that he will succeed in reaching that end, or at least getting sufficiently near it, as to prevent such stoppages of industry as have lately been witnessed in Great Britain. At the same time it has to be admitted that the path is full of difficulties, and that as yet there is but little agreement as to how they are to be surmounted. A large army of industrial workers has been created, who practically form co-operative organisations with the capitalists. The main cause of disagreement is the division of the profits. To interfere with the capitalists' right to obtain what profit they can on their capital is to take away the incentive to accumulate capital, and as the prosperity of a country largely depends upon its accumulated capital, this would be a fatal step.

South China Morning Post.

The Praya.

The local authorities are to be congratulated upon the vast improvements effected on the Praya during the past two or three years. Blake Pier, at one time an eyefore to residents and a revelation to newcomers, is now a structure solid and substantial, and in consonance with the general scheme which is being gradually evolved on the harbour front. The Star Ferry wharf has shed its dinginess, and after many years of negotiation has developed into a pier which reflects credit on the company as well as the constructors. If some rail were placed along part of the narrow alleyway used by third class passengers to minimise the danger of a "ducking," it would be still greater appreciated by those who do not ventilate their grievances in the columns of the English Press. Hundreds of passengers at times flock here from the Kowloon-Canton train, and the struggling queue of Chinese-laden with mysterious bags and parcels has not too much space to scramble to shore, and there is nothing to protect them from the water below. The next scheme the Government might devote some attention to is the Statue Wharf.

WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

RUSSIA.

One of the severest winters on record in Russia has given place to an unprecedentedly early spring.

During a debate on a Bill for the reform of the judicial administration in the Council of the Empire a motion was brought forward by 15 members of the Council urging that Jews should not be eligible for appointment as Justices of the Peace. The Minister of Justice supported the motion, dwelling on the old standing mistrust of the Russian people for the Jews. The motion was finally adopted by the Council.

Mr. Sazonoff has delivered in the Duma an exhaustive review of Russia's foreign policy. Special attention was given to the Near East, notably to the proposals for mediation between Italy and Turkey. The Minister gave a full exposition of Russia's attitude in the Persian question and in the Mongolian and Manchurian problems. The discourse entirely set at rest alarmist rumours. While reasserting fidelity to the French Alliance and the understanding with Great Britain, Mr. Sazonoff recalled the friendliness of Russia's relations with Germany and the improvement of relations with Austria-Hungary.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

M. Emmerich de Szivak, a well-known Hungarian Ministerial politician and president of the Hungarian Americanization Bank, committed suicide recently in the train between Budapest and Vienna. Rumours that his bank is involved in difficulties consequently spread on the Budapest and Vienna Stock Exchanges. They are not yet authoritatively confirmed, though according to the "Zeit" the late Director-General of the bank, who resigned recently after only a few weeks of office, declares that his resignation was due to his discovery of a clandestine deficit amounting to £100,000.

GERMANY.

The policeman Glauke, of Wilhelmshaven, who was extradited by the magistrate at Bow-street, London, on a charge of having committed larceny in Germany, and who pleaded that extradition should not be granted on the ground that he was wanted in Germany for having committed espionage, has been sentenced by the Criminal Court at Aurich (Prussia) to six years' imprisonment and ten years' "loss of honour."

FRANCE.

The revival of patriotism in France was triumphantly testified by scenes of delirious enthusiasm at the spring review in which 40,000 troops, three airships and ten aeroplanes took part at Vincennes, in the presence of the President, all the Ministers, and an enormous concourse of people. It was a real festival of the Army. Thousands of little blue aeroplane badges were sold on the ground on behalf of the military air fund, which stands at £52,000.

Mlle. Bernard, the youngest French air-woman, was killed at Etampes while flying the third test required for her licence in the presence of an official of the Aero Club. She committed the error of trying to rise during a turn. The machine tilted and fell 200ft. Mlle. Bernard was only nineteen years old.

ITALY.

March 11.—The newly discovered street at Pompeii is a continuation of the old "Street of Abundance" and leads from the city to the amphitheatre. In a corner to the right is a public fountain and on the wall of a house close by a great fresco representing the twelve divinities of Olympus. The discoveries include the atrium of an ancient house with many fine reception halls and bed chambers. The skeletons of a family of six persons were discovered in one house. The hands of a man and woman were clasped as though they were trying to protect two little children who lay between them. The whole group was overwhelmed by the lava in A.D. 79.

SPAIN.

The Spanish Cabinet recently resigned again for the fourth time in fourteen months. For the fourth time Senor Canalejas, the Premier, went to King Alfonso and tendered the resignation of the whole Ministry, and for the fourth time his Majesty told the Premier to take heart and continue in office. The Cabinet resigned on January 1, 1911, because it felt uncertain of its position; in April, 1911, as a result of the revision of the famous Ferrer trial; in January, 1912, on account of the Cullera riots in the preceding autumn; and on the present occasion because it lost its Minister of Public Works.

BELGIUM.

The village of Warnifontaine, near Neufchateau, in Belgium, is sinking into an adjacent slate quarry. Five houses have already collapsed, and the church and twenty others are threatened.

CRETE.

The Cretan crisis apparently ended the other day when the Assembly elected a permanent Commission of 81 members, from whom five, selected from the various parties, will form an executive body holding office in rotation for one month. The situation is now completely revolutionary, and the elections to the Greek Chamber will doubtless take place. Three British, two Russian, and one French cruiser anchored in Suda Bay.

THE STORING OF CEMENT.

As concrete is so largely entering into the construction of modern sugar factories, the following hint on the best method of temporarily storing cement may be of interest to prospective builders of new houses and additions to existing ones.

Portland cement is easily affected by moisture. It is purposely made so; for, combined with water and other substances, it forms the best of all building materials—everlasting concrete. But moisture must be kept away from cement until it is needed for actual use. This means that cement must be stored in places which are and can be kept absolutely dry. Upon the proper storage of cement are dependent the reputation of the contractor or builder, the trade of the local dealer and the satisfaction of the user.

Many users of Portland cement need to store it only for the short interval between the time of hauling it from the dealer and using it in the concrete work. Any building with a good roof, tight side-walls and a dry floor will do. Make a temporary double floor by means of small beams or logs and loose boards. See that driving rains or damp air cannot reach the cement.

Portland cement weighs nearly 100 pounds per cubic foot, therefore judgment must be exercised in loading the floor. Likewise, on account of its weight and possible damage from dampness, do not pile the cement against the side-walls of the building unless the house is full-lined or skeleton-lined on the inside. Store the cement so as to leave an open space or an aisle along the side-walls and aisles at places necessary to separate shipments. Get rid of all possibility of the cement piles toppling over by laying the bags, as a mason would say, "headers and stretchers," that is, alternately lengthwise and crosswise, so as to tie the pile together. Examine the building frequently to see that there are no leaks in the roof or side-walls.

Even on the work, never pile cement on the ground or on bricks. Throw down a few blocks, lay boards upon them and make a dry floor for the cement. Have just enough cement on the work to keep things going. A good tarpaulin is handy to cover up the cement in case of a sudden shower. Always buy cement from the dealer who has a dry store-house. If the cement in the bag has been wet, it is hard as a rock; do not use it under any circumstances. However, do not mistake lumps caused by pressure in the store house for "set-up" cement. Such lumps crumble easily and the cement is perfectly good.—"American Sugar Industry."

ON SAMPANS.

Attractions of the Very Simple Life.

It has been my custom since my lot was cast in this fair land to spend a digestive half-hour after dinner on the Praya with my only companions—my pipe and my thoughts—and I don't know which of the two is more companionable. Of course I can have my thoughts anywhere, but it is the pipe that causes the nocturnal peregrinations—and alone. That pipe and I have been fast chums for six years. I remember when it was given me by a flaxen-haired blue-eyed girl who—no! no confidences at present.

The fact of the matter is the pipe is past the mellow stage and calls for unwelcome remarks, if I smoke it in closed spaces, so I take him out and he sizzles to his heart's content while I meditate.

Some nights ago I stood opposite the Hongkong Club and puffed and puffed—and pulled until the voices of the stampan dwellers drew my thoughts from the cliffs I can't and shan't pay next month to the multitude of craft which occupy the highways and byways of the harbour and in which many a strange life history has been worked out from the cradle to the grave. To my mind there is something fascinating about the sampans—their compactness for one thing and then the many little articles that are stowed away thereon.

The Cook's Galley.

For instance there is the cook's galley. Take up two pieces of the deck in the fore part and you are in the grill room. Cook the meal, put the roof on the galley, and the dining table is laid. Two paces away is the state-room where, without worrying to move any further, one can go to bed. Leaving the cabin and walking through to the poop one sees the working of the vessel, for here some lusty woman plys the single oar or holds the "reins" of the sails while her lord and master either combs his hair or carries on an animated conversation with the lady next door in that quaint sing-song which invariably ends up on a crescendo terminating in an explosive monosyllable. Just over the stern hangs the hen coop with four or five poor hens coddled together in a space reminiscent of the Black Hole of Calcutta. Occasionally they have an outing and are allowed to wander a few yards on the Praya showing off their only marks of identification—splashes of paint or a thinness of feather.

But it is the family that calls for attention. There is mother who owns the boat, plys the oar, scolds the offspring, touts for passengers and buys the provisions. Father leads the luxurious life of a lodger when father is aboard, for like a sensible fellow he leaves everything to the "missus."

The Children.

Then there are the children, delightfully dirty, and consequently extremely happy. The girls just rub along somehow, acting nursemaid or pulling an oar, but the boys in contradistinction to the West have the time of their lives. They are petted and spoiled and tied up for fear they fall overboard. The girl doesn't matter; she's merely a girl.

There's something charming about the sampan life, so primitive, so convenient. It is the cook's galley that does it really, no worry about not finding it. You have got to mislay the whole deck before you lose the galley. And again there is nothing more convenient than the stateroom. Squat, and you're in the living room, lie down, and you have retired to bed. It is all a mere question of posture, and to think you can conduct cooking operations from the cabin is in itself a realization of the highest form of convenience. I have omitted one thing—the bathroom. It is there—miles of it—and all the effort required to reach it is one good roll and over the side of the bed.

BULLS—OLD AND NEW.

Amusing Blunders from Many Sources.

What is a bull?

Brewer's "Dictionary of Phrase and Fable" says it is "a blunder or inadvertent contradiction of terms for which the Irish are proverbial."

It may be the nearest we can get to the definition of the word; at any rate, most of us know the bull when we hear it spoken or see it in print.

A reader of Mr. J. C. Percy's entertaining collection of "Bulls, Ancient and Modern," which has just been published by McCreedy, Percy and Co., of Dublin and London, at a shilling, gets full value for his money, for the bulls are found on every page like daisies in a meadow.

The bull got its name from one Obdiah Bull, a London lawyer, who gained an unenviable reputation by his verbal blunders, but Sir Boyle Roche, who could "never open his mouth without putting his foot into it," is the father of the Irish bull.

Nowadays it is the usual thing to ascribe all the ancient bulls to him when the real author is unknown. His own description of a bull was this:—

"When you see three cows standing up in a field and one of them lying down, that is a bull."

Mr. Percy has made a rare collection of slips, some of them uttered as late as last January.

Some Irish Specimens

There is the "Answers to Correspondents" column in the "Irish Cyclist," where the writer told the inquirer that "the best way to pass a cow on the road when cycling is to keep behind it."

Even the author has a number of bulls to his credit. Sending out a party of cyclists on one of the Irish tours, he said, "Let the first contingent go ahead, and I will send a man after you to lead the way."

At an Irish angling club dinner the members were told by the chairman, somewhat ambiguously, "It is good to see around me so many old faces that I used to go fishing with years ago."

Then there is the Connemara jockey who told the author that "him sheep are mountain sheep, sir. If they lived by the sea they would die," and, later in the drive, replying to a question and pointing to a building said, "We have a woollen industry there that has been shut up these four years."

Journalists, politicians, and lawyers have contributed to Mr. Percy's list. Here is a reporter in a Wolverhampton newspaper writing about "one of these fairs who nearly landed in the water."

Dismissing the salary of the Lord Mayor of Dublin on January 2 of this year, Dr. McWalter, an alderman, upbraided his colleagues with "You come here to stay outside and prevent a quorum," while the Lord Mayor of that City, three weeks afterwards, asked, "Are we going to sit here all day listening to you and Councilor Cogan washing your dirty linen?"

The Irish atmosphere seems to have affected Lord Aberdeen, who in welcoming the Colonial Premiers to Ireland, said, "The only thing he regretted was that their stay was not shorter."

Coming nearer home, we have the County Councillor who warned his colleagues that "small-fox is creeping over the district by leaps and bounds."

Political Slips.

Politicians have been very prolific; even statesmen have made contributions to the bulls, which are preserved in Mr. Percy's book. There is Mr. O'Shea's question on April 24 of last year: "Is it not a fact that the only living animals on this farm are the seagulls that fly over it?" and there is the remark of the late Lord Russell of Killowen at Ballham: "If this coercion measure is passed, no man in Ireland will be able to speak upon politics unless he is born deaf and dumb."

"If you put the hon. members on an uninhabited island," remarked another Irish M. P., "they would not be there twenty-four hours before they had their hands in the pockets of the naked savages."

And here is Mr. Samuel, the Postmaster-General, gravely informing the House "that the number of now overhead wires would be comparatively small, and would be placed underground."

"It is no use for the honourable member," exclaimed Mr. Gladstone, "to shake his head in the teeth of his own words."

It was Major O'Gorman who asked why Irishmen were so fond of laying bare their grievances, and replied, "Why, to have them redressed"; and few can forget Sir Frederick Milner's slip when he said that "the Government will inevitably kill the cow that lays the golden milk," or Sir Ellis Ashmole-Bartlett's protest that "they were getting in the thin end of the wedge by a sort of side wind."

There are hundreds of similar slices of rare humour in the book, which is the best laughter-maker we have seen recently. We cannot do better than conclude with one of the funny sayings of Mr. Jeremiah MacVeagh, M. P.:—

"Since the Government has let the cat out of the bag, there is nothing to do but take the bull by the horns."

TO SUPPRESS THE TIP.

The Mississippi Legislature, according to the newsdespatches, has passed a law, says the "Money Magazine," to prohibit fifty dollars fine for the giver, as much for the taker, and one hundred dollars for the employer of the tip-taker. A somewhat similar bill has been introduced by a New York legislator. There is no doubt that the tipping evil is becoming a serious one. Not only does it impose unfair expense on people who have to pay twice for service, but, what is worse, it is breaking down the self-respect and manhood of an increasing class of American people.

As true charity is twice blessed, blessing both the donor and the recipient, so the tip is twice cursed, for it curses him that gives and him that takes. It tends to make one a snob, the other a fawning sycophant. It must be admitted that as to fawning everybody concerned, there is some doubt as to the practicability of the Mississippi statute. There may be danger of adding one more law of the sort that brings lawmaking into something like derision because public opinion refuses to sustain it. Laws that are not generally and uniformly enforced are not desirable; they bring more important statutes into some of the contempt that they evoke.

Nevertheless, apart from the question of the workability of the penal clause, we should be glad to see some such experiment tried. If we are ever to end the tipping evil, the only way to do so is by law, not by unorganized public opinion. The Mississippi statute may not be perfect, but at all events it is a start. Perhaps the New York proposal is wise, in that its operation is limited to hotels, restaurants, dining-cars, and sleeping-cars. Should a notice of legal prohibition be posted in such places, the result might be both effective and salutary.

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TIRED OF ENGLAND.

When we recall the England of our young days, a cradle of peace, and the home of a race proud of their heritage, it is depressing to peruse articles in the English Press to day, captioned "Tired of England." They relate to the men of muscle and of brains who have been oppressed with the spirit of decadence and desolation which grips the country; the disturbing and sinister movements which have been fostered of recent years, and the startling readiness with which political pawns move to promote party rather than secure the advancement of a people and an empire. We learn that the emigration offices in London were besieged last month, and Mr. N. R. Colcock, the agent in Great Britain of the Ontario Government, expressed the opinion that the "treacherous proportion of the men were mechanics who were 'fed up' with the state of things in the country—due no doubt to the industrial troubles—and they sighed for fresh fields of labour. A pathetic letter from a cripple also appears. Five men from his own family have forsaken the old home and emigrated to Canada. "If I were not a cripple, I should go myself." In this depressing strain patriotic sons of old Albion write plaintive epistles to the Press. It is sad, melancholy reading to those of us who, though exiled from our homelands, still delight in our magnificent past and have hope of a glorious future. The upheavals are not over yet. The superstructure of the constitution is being undermined, a dangerous creed is being freely disseminated in many parts of Britain, the minds of men are poisoned by syndicalists and socialists. Society is divided. The masses are

DAY BY DAY.

A contented mind is the greatest blessing a man can enjoy in this world.

The Tencho Maru.

The new steamer Tencho Maru, built at Hongkong to the order of the North China S.S. Co., was detained for some time in the Yalu River, in the vicinity of the Wentzschew Crossing, recently, owing to a wire hawser having become foul of her propeller.

Armed Robbery.

A case of armed robbery is reported from Telegraph Bay where seven men, two of whom were armed with choppers, broke into a fisherman's house and stole goods to the value of about \$3.

Alleged Theft of Brass.

A Chinese was charged at the Magistracy this morning with stealing sixty four pounds of brass value \$20 the property of the War Department, from Stonecutters Island. The case was adjourned until Thursday.

Dead Bodies Found.

In all seven dead bodies mostly of children were found in different parts of the Colony during the week end. One case was due to small-pox.

Red Cross Convention.

Dr. J. C. Ferguson has left Peking for Washington, via Siberia, as the Chinese Government representative at the International Red Cross Convention, which meets on May 7. He was not accompanied by Mrs. Ferguson who remains in China till his return.

Brigandage in Szechuan.

A fortnight ago a large party of missionaries, of the China Inland Mission and the British and Foreign Bible Society, left Shanghai for various places in Szechuan, but news has been received that they have not been able to reach their destination says the "N. C. Daily News." They were warned by the authorities at Ichang not to proceed further on their journey, as the up-river country is seriously unsettled by brigandage.

British and Chinese Suffragists.

In appreciation of the doings of the Chinese women who compelled the Assembly to re-open the discussion of the suffrage question by means decidedly militant, the following message has been sent by the Women's Social and Political Union to Mrs. Ching, Shanghai:—British militant suffragists congratulate Chinese women on brave fight, wish them success in preventing establishment political liberty for men only. Let Chinese initiate new regime by giving political equality to women, thus setting example whole civilized world. "L. & O. Express."

H.M.S. Hawke.

H.M.S. Hawke arrived at Singapore on April 14 from Hongkong.

Manager Missing.

Mr. H. B. Walker, manager of Messrs. Steel Brothers, Rangoon, is reported as missing since Saturday, says a wire to the "Straits Times" of April 2. After dining at Kuanungto Mill, he took a sampan to go to Seikgyi. Neither he nor any of the boatmen has been heard of since.

All the Differ-ces.

"Accused called me a zebra and I remonstrated," said a Chinese complainant in the Singapore police court. "But is it offensive to be called a zebra?" asked the magistrate. "Well," answered complainant, "he called me a zebra and struck me at the same time."

Smokeless Coal.

The "Peking Daily News" learns from Tangtiao that anthracite coal from Honan is now arriving at Tientsin, coming from the district of Huoching. It is shipped from the port of Huanglio to Lokou by junk. This coal is smokeless and is steadily increasing in demand by the Chinese as house coal.

A Big Cargo.

The steamship Minnes arrived here yesterday and has brought out to China the biggest single cargo ever carried by any vessel. She sailed from Seattle for Hongkong on March 10 with a cargo containing 20,500 tons of flour, cotton, machinery and general merchandise. Included in the assortment is 13,000 tons of flour, 10,500 bales of cotton and heavy shipments of salmon.

Naval Movements.

H.M.S. Waterwitch sailed to day for Singapore to continue her surveying duties.

Boatwomen Fined.

For unlawfully carrying 17 passengers in excess of the number allowed on her license a boatwoman, owner of a coolie boat, was fined \$10 at the Marine Court this morning. Another who carried passengers without a license was fined a similar sum, while two other boatwomen who had no males between the ages of 15 and 60 years on board their crafts had each to pay \$5.

Appreciation of Mrs. Gordon.

Concert-goers in the Colony entertain the warmest feeling of appreciation of the work done by Mrs. Gordon, who has for quite a number of years done admirable work on the concert platform. She has never spared either pains or trouble in order to appear at all sorts of charitable and other concerts. Certain old residents and concert-goers have conceived the admirable idea of showing appreciation of her work. To this end a concert is to be held in the Volunteer Headquarters on May 1, at 9.15. Tickets, priced at \$2 each, may be had at Messrs. Moutrie, and we hope they will be well taken up.

Successful Operation.

Miss Viola Price, of the Sister Price now appearing at the Bijou Theatre, has, we learn, successfully undergone an operation for an internal complaint. She hopes to be appearing again in a few days.

Protection of Seal Fishing.

It is stated that in the near future the Japanese Government will institute a system of control for the protection of seal fishing, in conformity with the Seal Fisheries Convention. The Department of Commerce is to receive a special grant of ¥14,000 and will send supervising officials. The Navy Department will combine the control with practice cruising. Next month the "Naniwa," a second-class cruiser of 3,700 tons—well known to foreigners as the vessel which sank the "Kowshing" with all on board at the outbreak of the war with China—is to leave Yokosuka on a cruise, calling at Hakodate, the Kuriles, Petropavlovsk (Kamchatka), Unalaska (Aleutian Islands), then returning by way of Petropavlovsk, Robben Island, and Saghalien, reaching Japan by the middle of October.

TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE.

On May 1 certain changes are to come into force with regard to the time-table of the trans-Siberian services, which are to reduce the time occupied in the journey to or from Europe. From that date the boat connecting with the International Express will leave Shanghai on Monday morning, arriving on Wednesday at Tientsin. There the overnight stay will be avoided, as the Express leaves Tientsin at 2 p.m. on Wednesday. A similar gain in time will be secured by passengers for the St. Petersburg Express. These will leave Shanghai on Wednesday mornings and will obtain an immediate train connection at Tientsin on the Friday.

For the present no connection at Tientsin will be possible with the Moscow Express, and a delay of two days at Tientsin is unavoidable. Messrs. Racine Ackermann & Co., the Shanghai agents, state, however, that they are making special efforts to secure for passengers already booked for this train accommodation by the St. Petersburg Express, if this change is desired.

As regards the outward journey, the boat connecting with the International Express will arrive in Shanghai on Mondays, while the boat to arrive on Sundays will be in connection with the Moscow Express. In each case the night's delay at Tientsin will be avoided. No information as to the services west of Harbin is at present available, but it is anticipated that some five hours will be saved on this part of the journey. "N. C. Daily News."

Canada, the largest British possession, is nearly four million square miles in area. Gibraltar, the smallest, measures less than two square miles.

THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Ayris Sentenced to Five Years.

This morning, before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz (Paisno Judge) Edwin Berkeley Ayris, who had pleaded guilty to five charges of embezzlement and falsification of accounts, was brought up for sentence.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. C. G. Abbot, said the prisoner had pleaded guilty to five charges, the first of embezzling \$160, the second of embezzling \$60, the third of embezzling \$70.00, and the two last charges of falsifying accounts in respect of the sums of \$621 and \$200, the property of the South China Morning Post Co., Ltd.

His Lordship—Are there any other deficiencies?

The Attorney-General—He is charged with amounts totalling a little over \$1,000, but there is a total deficiency of more than that.

Prisoner was sentenced to five years' hard labour on each count, sentences to run concurrently.

The Attorney-General—I don't know whether it is necessary, but the prisoner was not called upon.

His Lordship—Well the sentence I have imposed is the minimum I can possibly give.

FIVE YEARS FOR FORGERY.

Francis Lucas Picard pleaded guilty to having forged an authority for a cheque book, and with having forged and uttered two cheques of \$120 and \$50 respectively on the Yokohama Specie Bank.

Mr. E. R. Bellios, instructed by Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, appeared on behalf of the prisoner.

The Attorney-General said the prisoner was formerly in the employ of Mr. Vernon, of the Boa Vista Hotel at Macao. He forged an order purporting to have been signed by Mr. Vernon for a Yokohama Specie Bank cheque book. Mr. Vernon afterwards stated that the signature was a very clever forgery. Prisoner left Macao and came to Hongkong, where he lived at a Japanese hotel, where he paid his way with a forged cheque. Another forged cheque was found in a room at a certain house in Sampson Street, where prisoner had been living.

Mr. Bellios said he would rather Mr. Vernon had been present, as he could speak as to prisoner's character. He personally suggested that the company prisoner had kept had him to forgo the cheques. His only plea, however, would be for a mitigation of the sentence. On the facts before the Court, prisoner did not look like a hardened criminal, as his methods were crude and clumsy.

His Lordship—How old is he? Mr. Bellios—He is twenty-four. Prisoner was sentenced to five years' hard labour on each count, sentences to run concurrently.

MANSLAUGHTER CASE DISMISSED.

Abdul Rashid pleaded not guilty to a charge of having unlawfully killed a Chinese named Ng Luk Chee.

The Attorney-General said he had considered the evidence very carefully when it was given at the Police Court, and he had come to the conclusion that it did not justify a conviction. He therefore did not intend to offer any evidence.

The jury were informed of the course to be taken by the Attorney-General.

A verdict of not guilty was returned, and the prisoner was discharged.

THE YAUMATI ARMED ROBBERY.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz three Chinese were charged with attempted armed robbery in Yaumati Bay on the 26th February.

All three men pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney-General in the course of his statement for the prosecution said that evidence would be called to prove that the prisoners on the date mentioned in the charge go into a sampan which was lying alongside a valuable steam launch in Yaumati Bay and asked the women in charge of it to row them to a salt junk lying

further out in the bay. The women, of whom there were three, carried out the instructions given them by the prisoners but on arriving at the junk they were told that was not the one. They then seized the women and a revolver was pointed at the head of one of them. A demand for money was made and the women screamed out. The screams attracted the attention of people in junks hard by and they came to the rescue. The men were arrested, two of them having to be taken from the water as they had jumped over the side thinking that by doing so they would avoid arrest.

The defence was a total denial of the attempted robbery.

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty and the prisoner was discharged.

DEATH OF MR. A. J. RIBEIRO.

The death occurred on Saturday morning of Mr. A. J. V. Ribeiro, one of the oldest and most respected members of the Portuguese community. The late Mr. Ribeiro was born in Macao in 1849 and came to Hongkong early in the sixties. He was for 40 years in the employ of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., but had latterly retired into private life. He was an excellent scholar, and was a frequent contributor to the Portuguese newspapers and to the local press. Death was due to heart failure. The deceased gentleman leaves a widow and eight sons. The funeral took place yesterday, being very largely attended.

MOTOR BOATS FOR MANILA.

Two Boats Begin the Voyage Under Their Own Power.

On Saturday the two motor boats built by W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd., began the voyage to Manila under their own power, being the first motor vessels to make the attempt.

The boats are of tank, 70 feet long, 15 feet beam and 7 feet deep and of about 45 tons gross and are built for the Quartermasters Department of the U.S. Government. They are intended for cable work on the Philippine Coast and equipped with heavy booms, winches and lifting gear for that purpose.

The motors are of the Speedway six cylinder type of 100 horse power, using gasoline as fuel, and on the trials gave the utmost satisfaction. Each boat made six consecutive runs over the measured mile, attaining a speed of 10 knots in ordinary trim and of 12 knots when loaded to her deep draft; this speed being 11-2 knots in excess of the builder's contract.

Before leaving Hongkong, and as a further reliability test, the vessels were subjected to a five hours' continuous full speed trial, and having each taken in 1,000 gallons of gasoline they left the builder's works at noon, escorted by the U.S. Transport Lisicum. Passing through Lyeemou they made a pretty picture, going at full speed, the Lisicum appearing to have all she could do to keep up with them. When well clear of the pass they eased down to half speed for the voyage.

WAR SCENES.

Some Pretty Booklets.

The Commercial Press, Limited, of Shanghai, must be congratulated on a neat series of tiny volumes of war scenes. For the most part they are well printed, and the pictures are made more interesting by reason of pithy and helpful explanatory lines underneath.

The pictures cover a wide range and embrace not only scenes of the recent revolution but portraits of notables, both military and administrative.

As an enduring record of an epoch-making period these handy volumes are well worth securing, and the fact that the text is printed both in English and Chinese makes them especially useful and valuable. Our readers are urged to secure some, if not all of the series.

C.Y.C. CLOSING CRUISE.

A Successful Gathering.

The closing cruise in connection with the C.Y.C. was held at Lai Chi Kok yesterday, in brilliant sunshine. There was a good attendance, and for fraternity and good spirits the gathering has never been excelled in the Colony.

At the close of the gathering one of the launches was grounded and the passengers were transferred to one drawing loss water.

A special article on the function, by "Xaverian" will appear in to-morrow's issue.

The following were the results:—

Ladies.—Handicap class Race. 1, Daisy (Mrs. Rosemann); 2, Ayasha (Mrs. Cameron).

Hays Class Race.—1, Dawn (Mr. Mitchell); 2, Liza (Mr. Marshall).

Visitors or Non-Boat owning members: Gail Class Race.—Asthor (Capt. Dixon); Gael (Mr. F. Lenfesty).

Visitors or Non-Boat owning members: Handicap Class Race.—1, Daisy (Mrs. Withers); 2, Corrinne (Mr. Kelly).

Ladies.—Howard Hays Class Race.—1, Dawn (Mrs. Cameron); 2, Sirius (Mrs. Kent).

Ladies Gael Class Race.—1, Asthor (Miss Rodger); 2, Anna (Miss Barlow).

Ladies Motor Boat Race.—1, Britannia (Mrs. Thornhill); 2, Soaya (Miss Wilton).

Visitors or Non-Boat owning members: Motor Race.—1, Soaya (Mr. Wilton); 2, Britannia (Mr. Bond).

Dr. Clark presided over the prize-giving ceremony which was graciously performed by Mrs. McIver.

A vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. McIver and she was also presented with a silver vase. Mr. McIver returned thanks on behalf of his wife.

The following cup winners for 1911-12 were also presented with their prizes.

Cruiser Championship.—1st, "Dorothy 11," W. G. Lyndon; 2nd, "Marion," A. I. Lean.

Handicap Class Championship.—1st, "Lily," P. Bell; 2nd, "Daisy," C. Rosemann; 3rd, "Ayasha," G. P. Shadden.

Howard Hays Class Championship.—1st, "Sirius," A. A. H. Milroy; 2nd, "Dawn," D. K. Blair; 3rd, "White Rose," H. A. Cox.

Gael Class Championship. 1st, "Gael," Messrs. McIver and Guy; 2nd, "Asthor," A. Rodger; 3rd, "Bentrice," J. A. Dove.

Commodore's Cup—"Sirius"—A. A. H. Milroy.

Vice-Commodore's Cup—"Asthor"—A. Rodger.

Handicap Class Challenge Cup—"Daisy"—O. Rosemann.

Bellios Cup—"Sirius"—A. A. H. Milroy.

Warren Memorial—"Gael"—L. Guy, M. McIver.

Lily Prize—"Haley"—P. D. O. Johnston.

Sirius Cup—"Liza"—G. Miskin, C. Blaker.

Gael Prize—"Alannah"—C. D. J. Bell, G. A. Cooke.

"Also Ran" Cup—"Liza"—G. Miskin, C. Blaker.

Ayasha Cup—"Daisy"—O. Rosemann.

Dorothy Cup—"Gael".

For the success of the function thanks are due to the following gentlemen:—Commodore: Dr. Francis Clark; Vice-Commodore: G. G. Wood; Hon. Treasurer: R. P. Phillips; Hon. Secretary: Alex. P. Storrie; Hon. Asst. Secretary: James Spittles; Official Messengers: C. D. J. Bell; Deputy Messengers: C. Rosemann, W. L. Leask; Official Members: J. Reidie, E. P. Gibson, M. McIver, A. A. H. Milroy, J. M. Irving; Judges: A. A. H. Milroy, Alex. Rodger, F. Howell; Clerks of Course: F. Reidie, J. M. Irving, C. Rosemann, C. D. J. Bell; Starter: E. P. Gibson; M. McIver; Time Keeper: F. Howell; Stewards: James Spittles, H. Coombe, A. L. Gee, A. Feiler, E. O'Connell, H. P. Scriven.

TELEGRAMS.

CHINA IN TRANSITION.
COMMENCING WORK.

(From Chinese Sources.)

Shanghai, April 21.
Tang Shao-yi has arrived in Peking and will resume his duties to-day.

SERIOUS REVOLT IN
HUNAN.

Another revolt has broken out in Hunan and it is said that this time it has been engineered by a prominent Chinese. The Hunan Provincial Assembly has been dissolved by the soldiers and two of the members have been killed. Telegrams which were sent out for help have been intercepted by the rebels and as a last hope officials are sending couriers to Hupeh asking for aid.

ALLEGED MURDERER
ARRESTED.

Nam Kwan who is alleged to have murdered a deputy who had gone to Canton to purchase arms for the Szechuan Government has been arrested in Shanghai.

ARMY MATTERS.

The League for the Centralization of the Army are entering a strong protest against the new regulations which confer great powers on the Commanders-in-Chief.—Shui Po.

PRESIDENT YUAN
SLANDERED.

Shanghai, April 21.
An astonishing handbill is being circulated in Peking slandering Yuan Shih-kai and stating that his only object is to become Emperor of the Chinese. As a precautionary measure the President has removed his family to the English settlement in the capital.—Sai Kai Kung Yik Po.

ANONYMOUS WARNING.

Nanking, April 21.
The Police department in Nanking has received an anonymous letter purporting to come from the Terrorist Society giving warning that an attempt is to be made on the life of Wong Bing.

FOREIGN ADVISORS.

President Yuan Shih-kai has stated that it is his intention to engage foreigners as advisors to his government. For the army he will employ German Officers, advice will be given on international affairs by French officials, and English experts will assist in the supervision of the administration of financial matters. Sai Kai Kung Yik Po.

VESSEL ASHORE.

THE SAIKIO MARU.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, April 22, 2.50 p.m.
The Saikio Maru, bound from Dairen to Shanghai, went ashore last night, in a dense fog, on a promontory. Steamers are answering to her wireless calls.

HOSPITAL "GHOST"

Midnight Tappings by Foolish
Trespasser Lead to Scare.

Mysterious diversions on the part of a supposed ghost have been reported at the Western Hospital, Fulham, S. W. From the evidence of nurses it seems that the visitations were confined to the isolation wards, which are in a rather lonely quarter of the grounds.

In the quiet of midnight there came curious tappings at the ward windows. Nurses declared that windows flew open in an inexplicable way, that a masked face had peered in at them on some occasions, that birdlike whistling and ghoul-like screams of laughter were heard. The male staff was ordered out for sentry duty and a guard was set around the wards on successive nights. But the tappings still continued. When a nurse heard that at her window she blew an alarm whistle, and sentries rushed to the spot, but found nothing.

The medical superintendent says: "There seems no doubt that some foolish person has been trespassing in the hospital grounds, and tapping at the windows. He was seen by at least two responsible persons."

SCHOOLS SPORTS.

Children's Day-Out.

The annual sports held under the auspices of the Hongkong schools took place on the Race-course to-day, under ideal climatic conditions. Long before tiffin the cars going in the direction of the venue were packed with hopeful youngsters and proud parents and each school favourite had his numerous supporters and well wishers gathered round him. It was an afternoon for heroes, and lusty boys shouted at the top of their voices when their "idols" broke the tape in front of the field or cleared the stick from the highest pegs.

Saturday was the day for the eliminating trials so to speak. Many heats were run off so as to accelerate the carrying out of to-day's programme.

The band of the 25th Punjab disbanded delightful music during the afternoon. The officials and patrons of the popular event were:—H.E. Mr. Claude Severn, H.E. Major General C. A. Anderson C.B. The Right Rev. Bishop D. Pozzoni. The Venerable P. J. Barnett, Archdeacon of Hongkong. The Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, Kt., C.M.G., Commodore Eyres, R.M., J. R. Wood, Esq., Sir Kai Ho Kai, C.M.G., Lieut. Colonel Chapman, V.D., N. H. N. Moly, Esq., J. J. Leiria Esq., Consul for Portugal, T. K. Dealy, Esq., Clerk of the Course A. R. Sutherland, Esq., A. Vivas, Esq., J. Smith, Esq., S. H. Moore, Esq., H. A. Cox, Esq., G. Perkins, Esq.

Starters: H. Sykes, Esq., R. W. Barney, Esq., E. J. Edwards, Esq., R. C. Barlow, Esq.

Judges: A. Hamilton, Esq., A. O. Brown, Esq., R. E. O. Bird, Esq., Bro. Cornelius, Bro. Austin, G. A. Hancock, Esq., A. Morris, Esq.

Handicappers: H. Sykes, Esq., R. C. Barlow, Esq.

Official Time Keepers: A. W. Grant, Esq., W. Curwen, Esq.

Stewards:—Rev. F. T. Johnson, Rev. Bro. Christian, Rev. W. W. Rogers, G. Piercy, Esq., W. D. Broadwood, Esq., Rev. H. O. Spink, Ng Hon Tsz, Esq., The Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Ho Kom Tong Esq., Lau Chu Pak, Esq., Li Ping, Esq., Ho Tung, Esq., Fung Wu Chu, Esq., T. E. Hough, Esq.

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Hon. Secretary, S. Hore, Esq. Prizes were kindly presented by Patrons and Subscribers.

The results of the events were as follow:—Long jump.—1. W. So; 2. E. M. Castro. Distance jumped 15ft.

100 yards flat race (Junior Championship); 1. Wong Shan-nin; 2. C. Gustavo; 3. S. A. Moosa. Won by a yard. Time 11.4.5

100 yards flat race (Senior Championship); 1. E. M. Castro; 2. A. Karrim; 3. V. Raza. Very good race. Two yards; one yard. Time 11.3.6

120 yards flat handicap (Boys under ten); 1. Suleman Sam 7; 2. D. Castro 8; 3. Abdul Rahim 7. Time 17secs.

440 yards flat handicap (Chinese boys under 19 years); 1. Tavi Hou. Soon 15; 2. Cheung U. Pui Scratch; 3. Chung Kai 10. Time 57 sec.

High jump (Junior championship);—Gustavo and J. M. Braga dead heat. 3. Wong Shan-nin. Height 4 feet 8.3/4 inches.

One mile Bicycle Handicap (Boys under 19);—1. Cheung U. Pui; 2. Fred Bunjo; 3. A. Gifford.

Half Mile Flat Race (Civil Service Challenge Cup for boys under 19 to be won three years in succession).—1. Mr. Ruu John; 2. A. Karrim; 3. A. Baumann.

100 Yards Flat Handicap (Boys of British parentage, under ten years);—1. F. E. Lammert, scratch; 2. Wm. Gerard; 3. 3. Dick Clegg. Time 13.3.5

220 Yards Flat Race (Junior Championship);—1. Wong Shan-nin; 2. C. Gustavo; 3. Henry Reich. Time 24.1.5

120 Yards Flat Handicap (Chinese Boys under 14 years).—1. Chun U. Kat scratch; 2. Tsang Chun-ming 12; 3. Young Kauchin.

These were all the results up to going to press.

ROYAL HONG KONG
YACHT CLUB.

The Alls Cups.

Races were sailed on Saturday for two handsome prizes presented by Mr. Pamflett.

The Handicap class started at 2.30 over a course of 8 miles. From the starting line at the Club house round Channel Rocks, Cust Rocks buoy and Meyers East buoy. The Dione and Iris allowed 2 minutes 40 seconds, Colleen and Kathleen 1 minute 40 seconds and Dorothea 5 minutes 20 seconds. There was very little windward work and the scratch boats could not give the time.

The race was practically a procession and the times and results were:—

Actual times	Corrected
Dione 3.52.33	3.52.33
Iris 3.52.58	3.52.58
Holla 3.53.16	3.50.36
Colleen 3.51.33	3.49.53
Dorothea 3.55.42	3.50.22
Kathleen 3.56.44	3.52.04

One Design Class

The One Design Class started at 2.40 over a course of 7.7 miles. Channel Rocks, Cust Rocks buoy, Kowloon Rock and Channel Rocks.

The boats competing were: Alannah Mr. Cooke, Bonito Mr. Denison, Daphne, R. E. and Halcyon, Capt. Johnston.

The Alannah had the best start getting away with a lead of about 50 yards followed by Bonito, Halcyon and Daphne. This order was maintained as far as the Kowloon Rock where the Bonito had got up to about two lengths of Alannah and in the beat up to Channel Rocks passed into first place, getting round the rocks with a lead of about a minute.

The times at the finish were:—
Bonito 4.15.16
Alannah 4.16.42
Halcyon 4.17.30
Daphne 4.18.19

Fast Times.

These were probably the fastest sailed races for the distance, of recent years the leading boat of the handicap class sailing 8 knots in 1 hour and 22.1.2 minutes or an average of 6 knots within a very small fraction.

The leading one design boat also sailed her race in 1 hour 35 minutes which works out at nearly 5 knots.

MINING IN SIAM.

Prospecting Party from Manila.

Among those who arrived at Bangkok a couple of days ago on the s.s. Landrat Schief were Major J. C. C. Jones of Manila, Mr. W. D. Buxton, and Mr. H. B. Graham, who are going on a mining inspection down the coast.

They have come, they state, on behalf of a big company in Manila and will proceed to take up two or three gold and tin mines down the coast in previous years, and during investigating operations came across some likely places which open up, he states, a good prospect of important developments in the mining industry.

A large quantity of machinery has been ordered, and the mines will be worked on the most modern dredging system. All the members of the party have had much experience in this branch of work, and Mr. Buxton is one of the best known civil engineers in the Philippine Islands.—Siam Observer.

CANTON NEWS.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.)
Canton, April 19.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen is expected to reach Canton by the s.s. Moshu. Yesterday evening—the Governor-General despatched Tang Hing, Commissioner for Army Affairs, Wu Ngai-sang, Commissioner for the Interior to Hongkong to meet Dr. Sun and to bring him to Canton.

An Unpopular Award.

The difference between Commanders Chan and Lam, which was the cause of the fighting at Swatow, has been settled by Commander Ng Cheung-tat, who has ordered Lam to leave Swatow with his troops and has given him money to enable him to send his men to their homes. The arrangement does not meet with universal satisfaction and some of the Swatow merchants are loud in their expressions of disapproval. The result is that Commander Ng is being bombarded with telegrams asking him for explanations and, in consequence, the Commander has communicated asking for instructions as to how to act.

The Task of Sisyphus.

Some time ago the Commissioner for Finance in order to economise sent in a proposal to reduce the staffs at the gaols in the province and also the police. This has now been met by the Commissioner of Law, who has put forward suggestions for the engagement of females in the women's prisons and the matter is now under the consideration of the authorities.

Denouncing the Governor-General.

In reply to a telegram from President Yuan regarding the request for the names of those who supported the indictment of the Governor-General for unwarranted severity in the case of the execution of the editor for sedition, the Provincial Council states that the only motive that they had for denouncing the official was one interest of humanity. There was no personal feeling in the matter. The complaint was not submitted by any individual members but by the Council as a whole and they therefore considered that it was unnecessary for them to give any names at all.

ORDERS FOR THE KING.

Handsome Presents from the Sultan.

His Majesty received at Buckingham Palace the other day the special Embassy sent by the Sultan of Turkey to bestow upon him two diamond Orders—the Hamedan-al-Osman and the Intiax. The Embassy included Tewfik Pasha, the Turkish Ambassador in London, and Rehid Bey, Councillor of Legation at the Sublime Porte, who was sent over especially to London convey the Orders to his Majesty.

The King, in receiving them, wore the uniform of a British Admiral, and was attended by Sir Arthur Nicholson, representing the Foreign Office, and officials of the Court.

The Orders are extremely handsome and valuable, each being thickly studded with diamonds.

The Ambassador, speaking in French, asked the King's acceptance of the Orders on behalf of his Imperial Master, who directed him to convey to his Majesty expressions of the Sultan's most cordial friendship and regard. The King also spoke in French, and, in accepting the Orders, requested the Ambassador to convey to the Sultan his warm appreciation and sincere thanks for the honours bestowed upon him.

Tewfik Pasha, having undertaken to comply with his Majesty's request, the King was pleased to invest him with the Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, after which the deputation withdrew.

The electric zone of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad is to be extended, indicating that its operation has been successful.

A ton of Atlantic water yields 8 pounds of salt; Pacific water, 70 pounds; Arctic and Antarctic waters, 85 pounds; and Dead Sea water, 167 pounds.

THE GREAT RAYMOND.

We quote from the Singapore "Free Press" regarding the opening performance of the celebrated illusionist who will make his initial bow to a Hongkong audience on Saturday night, April 27, at the Theatre Royal.—"Seein's believin", but feelin's the naked truth," says the old Scotch proverb, but if over one felt inclined to question the applicability of that it was after a couple of hours spent in the company of the Great Raymond at the Victoria Theatre last evening.

To see him is not to believe him for thereby one would have to accept miracle-working as a latter-day fact and, as Raymond was careful to explain, both by word and gesture, he "wouldn't deceive for worlds."

Thus are we forced to admit that for more than two hours last evening we were pleasantly fooled, puzzled and mystified by one of the cleverest illusionists it has been our pleasure to witness.

His tricks—the world is altogether inadequate to convey the cleverness and subtlety of his performance—are legion.

He can do any trick that anybody else can do and a great many more that no one else has ever thought of.

The pick of the illusions in the first part of the programme was undoubtedly the one he entitles "Noah's Ark". A large wooden construction standing some four feet off the ground is shown with the sides, back and front open, in fact one can see in it, above it, underneath it, and all about it, and having seen 'would unhesitatingly declare it to be empty. It takes but a moment to close it and then from windows in front Raymond brings forth pigeons, fowls, dogs, cats, sheep, goats, ducks, and then opening the cabinet again reveals two ladies gracefully reclining within. It is both figuratively and literally a colossal illusion.

"Metempsychosis" was the title of the final illusion. To attempt to describe it would be futile—it must be seen to be understood—or rather misunderstood for it is safe to say that no one who saw it last night fathomed its secret.

So one could go on describing trick after trick, that is as they appear to the eye, and in recommending those who have a liking for mystery and necromancy to go and form their own impressions, we may add that they will not come away disappointed. Raymond certainly justifies the great reputation he holds.

DON'T FORGET.

Tuesday, April 23.

Ordinary Annual Meeting. Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., noon.
Annual General Meeting China Traders Insurance Company, Ltd., 12.30 p.m.
Horticultural Society Meeting, 5.15 p.m.

Saturday, April 27.
The Great Raymond at the Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.
Gymkhana Club Meeting, 12.30 p.m.

To-day's
Advertisements

Public Works Department.
No. 8, 119.—It is hereby notified that the following Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction will be held at the Office of the Public Works Department on MONDAY, the 29th day of April, 1912, at 3 p.m.
Full Particulars and Conditions may be obtained at this Office.

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Lot	No. of Acres	No. of Feet	No. of Feet	No. of Feet	Boundary Measurements				Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Upset Price
					ft.	in.	ft.	in.			
1	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
2	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
3	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
4	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
5	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
6	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
7	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
8	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
9	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100
10	1.00	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	100	100

The Purchaser of the Lot will also have to pay the sum of \$25 for boundary stones and \$30 for the Crown Lease.
W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works
Hongkong, 20th April 1912. [325]

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HONGKONG, KOBE & MOJI KUTSANGT ... Tue day, 23rd April, Noon.
TIENTSIN via WEI-HAIWEI CHEONGSHING ... Wed day, 24th April, Noon.
SHANGHAI KWONGSANG ... Thurs day, 25th April, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALOUTTA NAMSANG ... Saturday, 27th April, Noon.
MANILA LOONGSANG ... Saturday, 27th April, 2 p.m.
MANILA YUENSANG ... Saturday, 4th May, 2 p.m.

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Hongkong, 20th April 1912.

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(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For Steamship DATE OF DEPARTURE.
LONDON ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP FLINTSHIRE ... About 15th May.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA MONMOUTHSHIRE ... 1st June.
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Hongkong, 9th April, 1912.

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HONGKONG TO CANTON

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Week days at 7.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sundays, at 7.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 22nd APRIL.

The Company's Steamship, "SUI AN."

will depart from the Company's WING LOK WHARF at 9 a.m. Departure from Macao at 5 p.m.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

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Destinations.	Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ & PORT SAID ...	*ATSUTA MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, T. 9,000 HITACHI MARU, Capt. T. Yamawaki, T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 24th April, Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 8th May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.O., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOI, KORE, YOKOHAMA, OHI, & YOKOHAMA	*AWA MARU, Capt. R. Shimizu, T. 7,000 SADO MARU, Capt. N. Iwashita, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 2nd April, at Noon. TUESDAY, 7th May, at Noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	*YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Seino, T. 5,000 NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 10th May, Noon. FRIDAY, 7th June, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	*TOSA MARU, Capt. T. Sato, T. 7,000	MONDAY, 22nd April.
SHANGHAI, MOI & KOBE	*CEYLON MARU, Capt. Y. Tozawa, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 24th April.
KOBE & YOKO-HAMA	*KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Cope, T. 3,000	THURSDAY, 25th April.
N'ASKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	*NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 8th May, at Noon.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG, & CALCUTTA	JINSEN MARU, Capt. M. Maehida, T. 4,000	SATURDAY, April 20th.
	TOTOMI MARU, Capt. A. Mosker, T. 4,000	SATURDAY, May 4th.

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FOR EUROPE.

Steamer.	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
ATSUTA MARU	9,000	J. Nagao	April 24th.
HITACHI MARU	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th.
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Mura	May 22nd.
KITANO MARU	9,000	F. E. Cope	June 5th.

FOR SEATTLE.

Steamer.	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
AWA MARU	7,000	R. Shimizu	April 28th.
SADO MARU	7,000	K. Arakawa	May 7th.
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tominga	May 21st.

From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply to the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Chester Road.

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Manager.CHINA NAVIGATION
CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

For	Steamer.	To Sail.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG" ...	23rd April 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA" ...	25th " 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN" ...	26th " 9 a.m.
WEIHAWEI & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW" ...	26th " 4 p.m.
TSINGTAU, CHEFOO & NEWCHOW	"KIUKIANG" ...	26th " 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI" ...	27th " 11 p.m.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE

MANILA, CANTON, COOKTOWN, C. IRNS, TOWNVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE
"GUTHRIE" ... 4th May, 4 p.m.

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S.S. SITHONIA ... 24th April

ANDALUSIA ... 1st May

BAYERN ... 8th May

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Hongkong Office.

HONGKONG—
PHILIPPINES.PHILIPPINES
STEAMSHIP CO

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
RUBI	4300	S. A. Crosby.	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	TUESDAY, 30th April, 4 p.m.
ZAFIRO	4000	M. C. Smith.	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	FRIDAY, 10th May, 4 p.m.

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Hongkong 20th April, 1912

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Steamer From Expected on or about For Will leave on or about

Tjibodas ... SHANGHAI ... JAPAN ... 2nd half April

Tjililong ... JAPAN ... 2nd half April

Tjilatjap ... SHANGHAI ... 2nd half April

Tjimali ... JAPAN ... 2nd half April

Tjimanok ... JAPAN ... 1st half May

Tjipanas ... JAPAN ... 1st half May

Tjiki ... JAPAN ... 1st half May

Tjilaoen ... JAPAN ... 2nd half May

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration.)

Steamer Tons Captain Date of sailing

S.S. "Chiyo Maru" ... 21,000 ... W. W. Green ... May 7th, Noon.

S.S. "Nippon Maru" ... 11,000 ... A. G. Stevens ... May 28th, Noon.

S.S. "Tenyo Maru" ... 21,000 ... E. Bent ... June 4th, Noon.

S.S. "Shinyo Maru" ... 21,000 ... H. S. Smith ... June 26th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screws.

All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post-office.

The triple screw steamer "Chiyo Maru" will be despatched for San Francisco via Kure, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and H. ports on Tuesday, 28th May, at Noon.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

The steamer "Nippon Maru" will be despatched for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and H. ports on Tuesday, 28th May, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE

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Only Regular Direct Service to Mexican, Chilean and Peruvian Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration.)

Steamer Tons Date of Sailing

Hongkong Maru ... 11,000 ... Friday, June 7, Noon

Kiyo Maru ... 17,500 ... Saturday, Aug. 6, Noon

Bujo Maru ... 10,500 ... Friday, October 4, Noon

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LOG BOOK.

Great Shipping Combine.

The statement that Lord Pirrie intends at an early date to retire from active shipbuilding work is primarily based on an interview he has given to the "Review of Reviews."

It has, however, been an open secret in Belfast for some time past that his lordship contemplates the step indicated. Messrs. Brown already hold a considerable interest in Harland and Wolff and it is understood that the firm will, by taking over Lord Pirrie's shares, automatically obtain full control. It is not improbable that several smaller Clyde yards will also be absorbed. Messrs. Brown will also take over the repairing yard at Southampton and the new yard at Bootle, in addition to the recently acquired concern on the Clyde. This great shipbuilding combine will be run, it is believed, on lines somewhat identical to the big international shipbuilding combine. Several of the smaller boats now on order from Harland and Wolff will be built on the Clyde. Nothing is yet definitely known as to the date on which Lord Pirrie will retire. Lord Pirrie, who recently underwent an operation, is not at all well, and his condition causes anxiety.

Echo of Hawke Collision.

The collision in September last between the liner Olympic and the cruiser Hawke was recalled in the Court of Appeal upon the cross applications of the parties for leave to adduce further evidence on the hearing of the pending appeal from the judgment delivered in the Admiralty Division. The new evidence had reference to the spot where the collision actually occurred, which had been disputed, and Mr. Laing, K.C., for the Olympic, now informed the Court that as the result of "sweeping" operations a piece of the bows of the Hawke had been found at the bottom of the sea at a point which, he declared, confirmed the calculation of the Olympic's captain. For the Admiralty, Mr. Aspinall, K.C., opposed the application, which, he said, ought only to be granted on special grounds, which were absent.

TO DEVELOP POTASH IN
AMERICAN.

To develop more thoroughly the fertilizer and potash resources of the United States, says the "American Sugar Industry," Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture, has established at Reno, Nev., a laboratory for the examination of natural material thought to contain potash. The laboratory has been organized under a co-operative agreement between the Mackay School of Mines, the Bureau of Soils and the United States Geological Survey. The laboratory is in charge of Prof. George J. Young, of the Mackay School of Mines, and A. R. Morz, of the Bureau of Soils. Facilities have been provided for the examination and assay of all potash-bearing materials, and of saline waters and minerals. The laboratory will be at the disposal of the public free of charge.

Potash occurs in nature in two classes of compounds, those soluble in water and those insoluble therein. The insoluble compounds include alunite, leucite, certain feldspars and various other minerals, but as yet no process has been developed for the successful commercial extraction of potash from these materials, excepting possibly in the case of alunite, which is used in Italy as a source of potash alum.

The soluble potash compounds, which are the only ones of present commercial value, include potassium nitrate or nitre, potassium chloride and various double salts of potassium with other elements, notably kainite, a compound of potassium chloride and magnesium sulphate; and "mannite salts," a variable mixture of chlorides and sulphates of potassium.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

Eastern Extension.

Level and Storage of water in
Reservoirs on April 1, 1912.
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER
WORKS LEVEL.

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1914 and 1915
KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL

1911	1912
Kowloon Gravelled Reservoir	21,500,000
Construction of water in Kowloon during the month of March, 1911	21,500,000
Consumption of water in Kowloon during the month of March, 1911	21,500,000
Estimated population of Kowloon during the month of March, 1911	21,500,000
The Government Analyst's report shows that the quality of the water supplied to the Public Works Department	21,500,000

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MARKET PRICES.

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander	Reported at
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Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander	Reported at
Alacrity	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. A. Lowndes	Hongkong
Agria	2nd class cruiser	4,360	10	7,000	Captain E. B. Kiddle	Shanghai
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400	—	Hongkong
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Com. B. G. Washington	Kiukiang
Bitomart	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. J. M. Barker	Hankow
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Capt. H. Lynes	Hankow
Cambrian	2nd class cruiser	4,360	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond	Hongkong
Cherub	Water tank and tug	390	—	340	Master W. Smith	Hongkong
Clio	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Voale	Canton
Famo	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Lt.-Com. H. S. Monroe	Hongkong
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M.V.O.	Shanghai
Handy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	295	6	4,000	Lt.-Com. R. R. Rosoman	West River
Janina	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	5,000	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Kent	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt	Chingwantao
Kinsha	River gunboat	616	—	1,200	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Hankow
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco	Hongkong
Minotaur	Armoured cruiser	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. G. G. Cayley	Hongkong
Monmouth	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. L. E. Power, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Moorchon	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	West River
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G. P. E. Hunt D. S.O.	Hongkong
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	—	240	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze
Otter	Torpedo-boat	385	6	6,300	Comdr. Lambie	Hongkong
Pegasus	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. H. Mitchell	Yangtze
Prometheus	2nd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. P. H. Warleigh	Hongkong
Ribble	T.B.D.	590	6	7,500	Lt.-Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon	Hongkong
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. J. S. Tynfall	West River
Rosario	Depotship for Submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. E. J. J. Touthby	Hongkong
Saipo	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtze
Taku	Torpedo-boat destroyer	305	—	6,000	Lt.-Comdr. Brickendon	Hongkong
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Comdr. Eyres	Hongkong
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Com. Hon. Guy Stopford	Chungking
Thistle	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. M. Baillie Hamilton	Hankow
Usk	T.B.D.	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Comdr. B. W. Buett	Shanghai
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	300	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Swatow
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Com. R. L. Hancock	Hongkong
Wolland	T.B.D.	590	—	57,000	Lt.-Com. E. T. Chambers	Shanghai
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	360	5	5,900	Lt.-Com. G. B. Hartford	Hongkong
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Com. M. H. Wilding	Kiating
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtze
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Mulock	Hankow

* Flagship of Admiral Sir A. L. Winsloe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G.

Submarines:—

No. 36	Lieut.-Comdr. Godfrey Herbert	
No. 37	Lieut.-Comdr. A. A. L. Fenner	
No. 38	Lieut.-Comdr. J. R. A. Codrington	
T.B. 035	Lieut.-Comdr. Woodward	West River.
T.B. 036	Lieut.-Comdr. Davies	West River.
T.B. 037	Lieut.-Comdr. Nicol	West River.
T.B. 038	Lieut.-Comdr. Seymour	West River.

Adder	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. M. Murray	Manila
Albany	Protected cruiser	3,430	17	7,900	Com. C. S. Williams	Yokohama
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign E. S. Root	Manila
Barry	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	En. Robt. W. Cabanis	Manila
Callao	Gunboat	243	8	250	Ensign Stuart W. Cnke	Canton
Chauvency	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign L. N. McNair	Manila
Chattanooga	Protected cruiser	3,100	10	4,700	Com. John D. McDonald	Amoy
Cleveland	Protected cruiser	3,100	10	4,700	Com. Hugh Rodman	Cavite
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign F. J. Fletcher	Manila
Decatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	8	—	Ensign C. S. Graves	Manila
El Cano	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lt. Com. W. D. Brotherton	Yangtze
Holena	Gunboat	1,397	18	1,800	Com. R. O. Biler	Yangtze
Juinos	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Cavite
Mindoro	Gunboat	170	5	—	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	—
Moccasin	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign E. D. Whorter	Manila
Mohican	Station ship	1,900	—	5,244	Ensign Robt. V. Lowe	Manila
Monadnock	—	—	—	—	—	Cavite
Monterey	Monitor	—	—	5,200	Com. H. A. Bispham	Cavite
New Orleans	Cruiser	3,430	25	—	Com. William G. Miller	Yokohama
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	—	Lieut. George C. Pegram	Cavite
Porpoise	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign L. O. Van de Carr	Manila
Quitos	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Cavite
Rainbow	Cruiser	6,206	14	—	Lt. Comdr. A. N. Mitchell	Cavite
Samar	Gunboat	242	8	250	Ensign N. H. Goss	Yangtze
Saratoga	Protected cruiser	8,150	25	7,075	Comdr. Joseph L. Jayne	Yokohama
Shark	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign Hedry M. Jensen	Manila
Villalobos	Gunboat	370	9	500	Lieut. W. L. Friedell	Yangtze
Wilmingon	Gunboat	1,397	20	1,884	Comdr. W. A. Edgar	Hongkon

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Emden	Cruiser	3,600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorff	Tsingtau
Gneissowitz	Armoured cruiser	11,600	36	26,000	Captain v. Usslar	Tsingtau
Illis	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Varselow	Tsingtau
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tsingtau
Luola	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Bondemann	Tsingtau
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tsingtau
Ottar	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen	Yangtze
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. Rosing	Shanghai
S. 90	Torpedo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lut. Borrenberg	Tsingtau
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Obt. z. S. Claassen	Tsingtau
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Gomdr. Luppe	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lt. Frhr Fircks	Canton
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Obt. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai

Dupleix	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	—	Hongkong
Kleber	1st Class cruiser	9,700	12	19,000	—	Saigon
Decidee	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. de Linares	Saigon
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. d'Estienne	Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Biscail	Canton
Poilo	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Puech	Tongku
Esturgeon	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Combot	Saigon
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Marrs	Saigon
Perle	Submarine	500	—	—	Lieut. Morris	Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Seriot	Saigon
Slyx	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	—	Saigon
Fronde	Destroyer	350	7	303	—	Saigon
d'Irville	Destroyer	—	—	—	—	—
Takou	Destroyer	250	9	—	—	Saigon, Rese
Pistolet	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. Mortenol	Hongay
Mousquet	Destroyer	307	6	300	Lt. de la R. Keranderson	Saigon
Vauban	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—	—	Hongay
Veteran	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—	Lieut. Bihel	Cap. St. Jasq
Manoche	Surveying-ship	1,025	10	9,000	Com. Ragot de Touche	Saigon

** Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloc'h de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.
 * Flagship of Commodore Boucicaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.

Macao	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Gunboat	700	—	—	Captain J. Milheiro	Macao

Hongkong, April 5, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT. 肉食

Beef Sirloin & Prime Out,—Moi Lung Pa	... lb.	" 20	尼龍扒
" Corno I,—Hau Ngau Yuk	... ..	" 20	鹹牛肉
" Roast,—Shiu " "	... ..	" 20	燒牛肉
" Broast,—Nagu Lam " "	... ..	" 16	牛腩
" Soup,—Tung Yuk " "	... ..	" 15	
" Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa " "	... ..	" 20	牛肉把
" do.—Sirloin Cotom—Ngau Lau	... ..	" 30	牛柳
" Sauzagos,—Ngau Chuanng	... ..	" 24	牛腸
Bullock's Brains—" Know....	per set	" 11	牛腦
" Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each	45	牛脷
" " corned,—Hau Ngau Li	... ..	" 60	鹹牛脷
" Head,—Ngau Tau	... ..	" 6	頭
" Hoart,—Ngau Sum	... ..	" 12	牛
" Bump, Silt,—Ngau Kin	... ..	" 18	牛肩
" Feet,—Ngau Kask	... ..	" 9	牛脚
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	... ..	" 9	牛腰
" Tail,—Ngau Moi	... ..	" 18	牛尾
" Liver,—Ngau Kon	... ..	" lb. 12	牛肝
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	... ..	" 6	牛肚
Calf Head & Feet,—Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set	\$1	牛仔頭
Mutton Chop,—Young Poi Kwat	lb.	22	羊排
" Leg,—Young Poi	... ..	" 22	比手
" Sh ulder,—Young Shau	... ..	" 20	羊
Pigu Chitlinga,—Chu Chong	... ..	" 22	豬臙
" Brains,—Chu Know	per set	24	猪腦
" Foot,—Chu Kark	lb.	12	猪脚
" Fry,—Chu Chak	... ..	" 25	猪雜
" Head,—Chu Tau	... ..	" 15	猪頭
" Heart,—Chu Sum	each	13	猪心
" Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	... ..	" 9	猪腰
" Liver,—Chu Con	lb	30	猪肝
Pork, Chop,—Chu Pai Kwat	... ..	" 20	猪排
" Corned,—Hau Chu Yuk	... ..	" 1	鹹猪
" Leg,—Chu Poi	... ..	" 24	猪
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	... ..	" 15	猪
Sheep Head and Feet,—Young Tau Kark	set	50	頭
" Heart,—Young Sun	each	6	羊
" Kidneys,—Young Yiu	... ..	" 9	腰
" Liver,—Young Con	l	24	肝
Sucking Pig, To Order—Chu Chai	... ..	" 22	猪仔
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	... ..	" 20	生牛油
" Mutton,—Sang Young Yau	... ..	" 22	生牛油
Vaal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	... ..	" 20	存牛油
" Sauzagos,—Ngau Chai Chuanng	... ..	" 20	存牛油

Cls.

Chicken,—Kai Chai	...	...	1b	30	雞仔
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	...	...	"	30	統鴨
Ducks,—Ap	...	...	"	30	鴨
Doves,—Pan Kau	...	each	—	24	斑鳩
Eggs, Hoā—Kai Tan	...	per doz	—	24	雞蛋
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	...	...	1b	33	雞
Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	...	...	"	28	海南雞
Geese,—Ngor	...	...	"	25	鵞
Geese, Wild Sh'hai,—Shang-ho Yea Ngor	...	pair	—	—	上海野黃鵞
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	...	each	—	—	黃麝
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai	...	...	"	—	兔仔
Partridge,—Che Khoo	...	...	"	—	鷓鴣
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	...	pair \$	1	—	山雞
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	...	each	30	—	白鴿
Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup.	...	"	25	—	軍口白
Quail,—Um-Chun	...	...	"	20	鴿鴿
Icree Birds,—Wo Fa Cheul	...	dozen	—	—	禾花雀
Snipe,—Su-Choy	...	each	20	—	沙撈
Turkeys, Cock,—Phor Kai Kung	...	1b.	51	—	火火
Hen,—Na	...	...	"	05	火火
Wild Ducks, Sh'hai—Shang hoi Sui Ap	...	"	—	—	上海水鴨
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai,	...	"	—	—	水鴨
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang-Shing Sui Ap	...	"	—	—	濕水

... Cts.

Barbol,—Ka Yu	...	...	...	1b	9	加魚
Bream,—Bin Yu	...	...	...	16	16	鯽魚
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Siu Yu	...	...	...	16	16	鯽魚
Carp,—Li Yu	...	...	...	22	22	鯉魚
Catfish,—Chik Yu	...	...	...	18	18	鯰魚
Codfish,—Mun Yu	...	...	...	18	18	鱈魚
Crabs,—Hai	...	...	...	20	20	蟹
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	...	...	...	15	15	魷魚
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	...	...	...	14	14	鯧魚
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	...	...	...	11	11	鱖魚
Dog Fish,—Tit Tu Sa	...	...	...	8	8	鱈魚
Eels, Congor,—Hoi Mann	...	...	...	15	15	鰻魚
Fresh water,—Tam Sin Yu	...	...	...	16	16	鰻魚
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	...	...	...	28	28	黃鰻
Frogs,—Tien Kai	...	...	...	32	32	青蛙
Garoupa,—Sok Pan	...	...	...	52	52	石斑
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	...	...	...	12	12	鰕魚
Herrings,—Tso Pak	...	...	...	20	20	中魚
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kup	...	...	...	28	28	脚
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	...	...	...	16	16	魚
Loach,—Wu Yu	...	...	...	28	28	魚
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	...	...	...	20	20	魚
Mackerel,—Chai Yu	...	...	...	24	24	魚
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	...	...	...	28	28	魚
Mullet,—Chai Yu	...	...	...	15	15	魚
Oysters,—Sing Hoo	...	...	...	20	20	魚
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	...	...	...	16	16	魚
Perch,—Tau Loo	...	...	...	18	18	魚
Piko,—Fa Paw Poong	...	...	...	8	8	魚
Plaice,—Pan Yu	...	...	...	18	18	魚
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	...	...	...	22	22	魚
Pomfret, White,—Pak Chong	...	...	...	28	28	魚
Pawns,—Ming Ha	...	...	...	15	15	魚
Ray,—Pai Pa Sa	...	...	...	8	8	魚
Rook Fish,—Sok Ka Kung	...	...	...	15	15	魚
Salmon,—Ma Yu Yu	...	...	...	1b	1b	魚

Shark,—Sa Yu	0	
Skato,—Po Yu	10	魚
Shrimps,—Ha	22	蟹
Snapper,—Lap Yu	24	立魚
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	18	沙魚
Tench,—Wan Yu	18	鯰魚
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	20	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kork Yu	57	脚魚
White Bait,—Sgau Yu Chai	—	銀魚仔

菓子

		Cts.	
Almonds, —Hung Yau...	lb.	25	杏仁
Apples (California) —Kam San Ping Kho...	"	15	金生平菓
(Chetoo) —Tin Ghuir Ping Kho...	"	—	天津平菓
Small, —Hei Tong...	"	—	海棠
Custard, —Fan Lai Chi...	each	—	柑子
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, —San Shing Houg Chiu...	lb.	4	番香蕉
(bridle), Mexico, —San Houg Chiu...	"	—	山有刺
Chestnuts, Chinese, —Fong Lai...	"	15	山栗
Carambols, —Young Tue...	"	—	楊桃子
Cocanuts, —Yeh Tse...	each	12	椰子
Lemons, China, —Ning Moong...	"	10	檸檬
America, —Kum San Ning Moon...	"	6	金山檸檬
Liches Dried, —Lai Chi, small, Stone...	b.	25	荔枝乾
Fresh...	"	—	荔枝
Limes, (Saigon), —Jai Kung Ning Moong...	each	10	西貢
Mango, Manila, —Lui Sung Mong...	"	14	呂宋芒
Mungosteens, —San Chuk Tse...	doz.	—	山竹
Oranges, (Canton) —San-shing Tim Ching...	lb.	8	省城柑
Sweet...	"	15	橙
Pears, (American), —Kam San Shou Lay...	"	12	金山梨
(Canton), Cooking, —Sa Lay...	"	—	沙梨
Peanuts, —Fa Sang...	"	10	花生
Persimmons Large, —Hung Chio...	"	—	紅柿
Pine-apples, 1st quality, —Poon Ti Paw, Law each...	"	—	本地波
2nd... —Chung-tang Paw Law...	"	—	中等波
Plantain, —Tai Cheu...	lb.	—	大蕉
Plums, —Sawto, Hung Lai...	"	—	紅梨
Pumelo, Siam, —Chim Lo Yau...	each	14	通羅
Shanghai, —Lo Kwat...	"	—	上海勢
Walnuts, —Hop Tuo...	lb.	15	核桃
Green, —Sang Hop Tuo...	"	—	合桃
Water Melon, —(Ann.) Kom San Sai Kwa...	each	—	金山西瓜
(China) Sai Kwa...	"	—	西瓜
Grapes, —Sang Po Tai Tse...	lb.	—	生著提

菜蔬

Artichokes, Shanghai, —Shoung-hoi Ah Chi	lb	8	了治
Chenck			澳門邊
Beans, (French), Macao, —Oh Moon Pin Tau	lb	6	上海菜
" (French) Shanghai, —Shoung Hai Pin			芽菜
" Tau			菜角
" Sprout, —Ah Cho		3	紅菜
" Long, —Tau Ko			莖菜
Beet Root, —Hung Choi Tau	each	2	紅菜
Brinjals, Green, —Ching Yuan		6	莖菜
" Red, —Hung Ker		5	紅菜
Cabbage, Chinese, com, —Kui Choy		8	紅菜
Cabbage Red, —Hung Yea Choy		12	紅菜
Cabbage, Shanghai, —Yeh Choi		1	紅菜
Cane Shoots, bunch, —Kau Shun	lb.	1	大芥菜
Cauliflower, Large size, —Tai Yeh Cho Fa	each	1	大芥菜
" Medium size, —Cheung Yeh Cho Fa		1	大芥菜
" Small size, —Sai Yen Choi Fa		1	大芥菜
Carrots, —Kan Shum	lb.	8	金針
Celery, Chinese, —Tong Kan Choi		8	金針
" English, —Yeung Kan Choi		5	金針
Chillies Dried, —Oon Lat Chiu		15	乾辣
" Red, —Hung Far Chiu		10	紅花
" Green, —Ching Lat Chiu		8	許
Curry Stuff, English, —Kar Lee Chu Liu		10	茄風
Cucumbers, —Ching Kwa		12	苦瓜
Ittitor Squash, —Fu Kwa		1	苦瓜
Garlio, —Que Tau		8	蒜頭
Ginger, young, —Sun Tse Keung		8	新子
" old, —Lo Kung		6	老
Horse Radish, Shanghai, —Lik Kan		15	力根
Indian Corn, —Suk Mai	each	5	粟米
Lettuce, —Yeung Sang Choi		1	洋生
Water Cheanuts, —Ma Tai	lb.	6	馬蹄
" Mandarin, —Kwai Lun Ma Tai		8	桂林馬蹄
Mushrooms, Fresh, —Sang Chò Koo		1	生伴
Mush Melon. Amor. —Kam-san Hong Kwa	each	1	金山
Okroes, —		1	
Onions Bombay, —Yeung Chong Tau		8	洋蔥
" Green, —Sang Chong		6	洋蔥
" Shanghai, —Shang-hoi Chong Tau		8	上海蔥
Papaw, 1st qual., —Tai Man Sau Kua	each	1	大萬
" 2nd Chung		1	小萬
Parsley, —Kun Cho		8	芹苗
Green Peas, —Ching Tau	lb.	8	青豆
Potatoes, Sweet, —Fan Shu		3	薯蕷
" Shanghai, —Shang-hoi Shu Tsa		1	上海薯
" Japan, —Yui Poon Shu Tsa		1	上川
" American, —Fa Ki Shu Tsa		8	花旗
" Foochow, —Foo-chow Shu Tsa		3	州花
Pumpkin, —Tong Kwa		3	冬瓜
Radish, —Hung Lo Pak Tsa		1	紅大
Rhubarb (fresh), —Tai Wong		1	紅大
Sage, —Tso So		1	紫蘇
Shallots, —Gon Chung Tau		8	蒜苗
Spinach, —Yin Choi		5	菠菜
" Tomatoes, —Fan Ker		6	番茄
Taro, —Wu Tau		6	芋頭
Turnips, Punt, (Long), —Lo Pak		3	蓮藕
" English, —Yeung Lo Pak		2	蓮藕
Vegetable Ma'rov, —Chit Kwa		1	蓮藕
" (American), —Kun-san Chit Kwa		1	蓮藕
Water Cress, —Sai Yeung Cho		8	西洋菜
" Lily root, —Lin Ngau		5	蓮藕
Yams, —Ta Shu		6	蓮藕

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

W. BOWEN ROWLANDS,
Secretary, Sanitary Board.

COMMERCIAL.

The World's Gold Production.

Discussing the world's gold production, the "Statist" places the probable total in 1911 at about £100,000,000, as against about £20,000,000 thirty years ago, and it gives the output of the world's leading producers in 1911, with comparisons for 1882 as follows:—

	1882.	1911.
Africa.....	£70,000	£38,708,000
U. States.....	6,500,000	19,840,000
Australasia.....	6,025,000	12,613,000
Russia.....	4,305,000	8,373,000
Mexico.....	4,020,000	1,020,000
Canada.....	2,190,000	2,190,000
India.....	2,181,000	2,181,000
Otherlands.....	3,540,000	9,523,000

Totals.....£20,500,000 97,448,000
Mexico, Canada, India and other countries.

"In 1882," says the "Statist," "the production of Africa as a whole was a quite negligible quantity. The great gold discoveries of the Transvaal were still to come, and the bulk of some £70,000 worth of gold which Africa gave in 1882 was derived from West Africa. Now all Africa has attained an output of close upon £39,000,000.

The Rand alone for 1911 produced about 34.1-2 per cent. of the world's output, and the Transvaal, Rhodesia and West Africa's aggregate was about 40 per cent. Parenthetically we may remark that, including the big gold discoveries on the Rand in 1887, the Transvaal has since 1884 produced in the aggregate up to 1911 inclusive some £324,000,000 worth of gold.

The United States, whose gold discoveries in the late forties caused so large an amount of attention to be given to a new source of supply of the royal metal, has in the aggregate to 1911 inclusive, given a yield of very close to £695,000,000. About four years after the California discoveries of 1848 discoveries were effected in a quite new quarter—the eastern part of Australasia, principally Victoria. Prior to the Californian and Australasian discoveries of 1848-52 the main reliance of the world for its gold supply had been Russia. In the early fifties the combined production of the United States and Australasia put quite a different complexion on affairs.

The aggregate gold production of the leading countries from their discovery to 1911 is given by the "Statist" as follows:—

Victoria.....	£289,500,000
West Australia.....	103,850,000
New Zealand.....	79,657,000
Queensland.....	75,500,000
New South Wales.....	58,785,000
Tasmania.....	6,470,000
South Australia.....	3,460,000

Australia, since 1852.....	£617,222,000
United States.....	695,000,000
Canada, since 1862.....	58,250,000
India, since 1880.....	37,810,000
West Africa, since 1880.....	8,920,000
Transvaal, since 1884.....	324,000,000
Rhodesia, since 1898.....	19,054,000

The yield of wheat per acre in the United States is less than half of that of England.

The tobacco of New York State is inferior to that of any other section of the country.

A Bank of England note twisted into a rope can sustain a weight of three hundred and twenty pounds.

Ozonized air is to be pumped into the underground passenger tunnels of London in very generous quantities.

Public Companies.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty-Sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Building, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 23rd April, 1912, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of account to 31st December, 1911, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 13th April to 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1912. [290]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Building, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 23rd April, 1912, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of account to 31st December, 1911, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The Transfer Books of the Society will be closed from 13th April to 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1912. [289]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, on SATURDAY, the 4th May, 1912, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 29th February, 1912, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 2nd April to 4th May, 1912, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1912. [311]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the above Club will be held on SATURDAY, the 27th April, 1912, at 12.30 p.m., at the Office of the JOCKEY CLUB on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1912. [301]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

A Special General Meeting of the Members will be held on THURSDAY, the 25th April, 1912, at 4 p.m., in the Chamber Room, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, for the purpose of nominating a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council.

Notice in writing of the names of Candidates and of their Proposers and Secondaries to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the General Meeting.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILKINS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1912. [320]

THE FAMINE IN CHINA.

EIGHT FAMINE DISTRICTS with an area of 80,000 square miles.

TWO and a half million people facing starvation.

PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO-DAY.

IT WILL HELP TO SAVE LIFE.

Treasurer, H. C. GULLAND, Esq., Manager, International Banking Corporation, Shanghai.

Hongkong, 24th Jan. 1912. [111]

MEE CHEUNG.

ART PHOTOGRAPHER.

HONGKONG.

TELEPHONE NO. 1013.

DEVELOPING, PRINTING & ENLARGING.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1912. [116]

To Sail.

THE AMERICAN & MAN-CHURIAN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK.

(With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

THE Steamship.

"MATOPPO," Captain Dornand, will be despatched for the above port on or about WEDNESDAY, 16th May.

For Freight and further information, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1912. [300]

Regular Steamship Service.

FOR NEW YORK.

With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast and to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.

S.S. "MONTROSE," on or about 23rd April.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1912. [288]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

(Taking cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras, and Mauritius.)

THE Steamship.

"JAPAN," Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th April, at 1 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1912. [319]

Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship.

"PRINZ LUDWIG," having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being loaded and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th April, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 30th April, 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOCHERS & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1912. [27]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, MOJI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship.

"JAPAN," having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at consignee's risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1912. [316]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship.

"KUTSANG," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. the 20th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1912. [316]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP—\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property &c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on application.)

For Office or TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1912. [316]

Banks.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Depository of the U.S. Government in the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

Head Office—40, Wall Street, New York.

London Office—30, Abchurch Lane, E.C. 4.

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000

Standing Allowance.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS: Chairman, F. H. ARTHUR, Esq.; Deputy Chairman, Andrew Forbes, Esq.; W. L. PATTERSON, Esq.; G. E. GIBB, Esq.; Hon. Mr. C. H. BOW, Esq.; G. R. LEITCH, Esq.; F. L. LEE, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—N. J. STABE.

MANAGER: Shanghai—H. R. B. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 3 months, 3 1/2 per Cent. per Annum. For 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum. For 12 months, 4 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.

N. J. STABE, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 4 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per Annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, N. J. STABE, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,200,000

RESERVE FUND.....£1,650,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....£1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1912. [22]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....Sh. Tels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS—SHANGHAI.

BRANCHES: Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. ROBINSON & SONS, THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (Berlin), LONDON AGENTS.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Aut. Capital.....£1,500,000

Reserve Fund.....£1,125,000

PAID UP.....£62,000

RESERVE FUND.....£65,000

HEAD OFFICE: 40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES: Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

AGENTS IN JAPAN: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

BANKERS: Bank of England, London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of, and for, Clients. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per Cent. per Annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

P. O. MACDONALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1912. [316]

Banks.

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RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000

Standing Allowance.....\$10,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, N. J. STABE, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1912. [22]

Exchange.

Selling.

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T/T.....1/11 9/16

Demand.....1/11 8/16

30 d/s.....1/11 11/16

60 d/s.....1/11 12/16

4 m/s.....1/11 15/16

T/T Shanghai.....78

T/T Singapore.....84

T/T Japan.....96 1/2</

LOCAL SPORT.

V. R. C. MEETING.

Castro A Pretty Runner.

Finer weather from a spectator's point of view than that which obtained on Saturday, the occasion of the V. R. C. annual sports could not be desired, though it had a searching effect upon runners in the distance events and the cyclists. The sports were held on the field of the Hongkong Football Club and though the attendance at the opening was not so large as one anticipated at the afternoon were on the stand and enclosure were well filled.

The function was well worth attending if only to see J. F. H. Castro win the two challenge cups and accomplish the hundred yards in 10.2.5. D. MacCrae, too, showed a good turn of speed in the cycling events though he was caught napping by A. E. Moyling in the two miles race. The three miles handicap was practically at his mercy from being pushed off to the crossing of the line. R. Lee made a praiseworthy effort to beat him but after sticking close upon his wheel for the best part of the journey was hopelessly beaten in the sprint home. F. M. da Cruz secured the half mile flat race and F. Drude the mile. W. A. Wilson a new-comer to the local "turf" ran well in the mile and secured the second prize.

The arrangements were in the hands of a strong committee, with the popular hon. secretary, Mr. F. Lammert, as M. C.

The other officials were: Judge: Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. A. McKirdy, Mr. R. C. Barlow, Mr. F. A. Mackintosh, Mr. R. L. Bridger, Mr. A. A. Rodger, Mr. A. Hamilton, Mr. A. P. Nobbs, Mr. J. H. Moad and Dr. C. Forsyth. Referee: Mr. C. A. Caldwell. Clerks of the Course: Mr. A. E. S. Alves, Mr. R. C. Wittell, Mr. A. E. Dunrich, Mr. A. Charlton and Mr. C. J. Poole. Starters: Mr. A. R. Southernland and Dr. F. H. Kay. Time-keepers: Mr. J. Cruickshank, Mr. T. Chee and Mr. C. Bunje. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. D. Silas.

At the close, the successful competitors received their prizes at the hands of Mr. A. Rodger.

The Results

Appended are the results:—Long Jump.—F. B. Silva, 17ft. 4ins.

120 yards flat race.—1. L. Goldenburg, scratch, 1. J. M. Roza Pereira, 5 yards, 2. Time, 12.3.5 secs. Won by a yard.

Boys' Race, 100 yards handicap, age 1 to 10 years.—A. Castro, 1. D. Castro, 2. M. Sternberg, 3. Won by three yards.

220 yards flat race.—1. L. Goldenburg, 8 yds, 1. A. E. Combes, scratch, 2. Won by five yards. Time 24.4.5 secs.

Girls' Race 80 yards handicap, age 6 to 10 yrs.—E. Remedios, 1. A. Tallan, 2.

Bicycle Race, two miles handicap.—A. E. Moyling, 60 yards, 1. D. MacCrae, scratch, 2. A very fine race, Moyling winning by a wheel. Time, 6mins. 4secs.

100 yards flat race for the Kow Challenge Cup.—J. F. H. Castro, 1. I. L. Goldenburg, 2. Won easily by eight yards. Time, 10.2.5secs.

Half mile flat race, open to soldiers, sailors and police.—Lee Cpl Richardson, K.O.Y.L.I., 1. Pto. Webb, K.O.Y.L.I., 2. Corp. Best, R.E., 3. Won by inches in an exciting finish. Time, 2mins 11secs.

220 yards handicap, closed to members of the V.R.C.—J. W. Roza Pereira, 1. N. Maher, 2. Won easily. Time, 25.1.5secs.

Bicycle Race, three miles handicap.—D. MacCrae, scratch, 1. R. Lee, 120 yards, 2. Won comfortably. Time, 9mins. 29secs.

Half-mile flat race handicap.—F. M. da Cruz, 40 yards, 1. A. E. Combes, scratch, 2. Won by ten yards. Time, 2mins. 13secs.

Girls' Race, 100 yards handicap, age 10 to 15 years.—B. Lonnard, 1. M. Loureiro, 2.

Tag-of-war.—87th Company, R.G.A., won, beating 83rd Co., R.G.A. The 87th won two pulls, the first in 1min. 02.5secs., and the second in 55secs.

440 yards flat race for the Mody Challenge Cup.—J. F. H. Castro, 1. A. E. Combes, (holder) 2. A fine race, Castro leading, until 160 yards from home when Combes left his opponent to finish alone. Time, 50secs.

Boys' Race, 440 yards handicap, age 10 to 15 years.—G. Hyder, 1. J. Lonnard, 2.

Bicycle Race, one mile (consolation)—W. B. Muskett, 1. Time 3 mins. 25secs.

One mile flat race, handicap.—F. Drude, 100 yards, 1. W. A. Wilson, 60 yards, 2. Won comfortably. Time, 5mins. 5.3.5secs.

Consolation race, 120 yards.—J. Smith, 1.

LAWN TENNIS.

Kowloon Cricket Club Tournament.

The following are results to date:—Championship:—First round, E. Abraham beat Lieut. Thompson 6/4, 6/3, 6/4.

Singles Handicap, A. Class.—First round, E. Abraham (owes 4-6) beat R. C. Barlow (reces 4-6) 6/4, 6/2, C. H. Rose (owes 4/6) beat A. O. Brown (reces 2-6) 7/5, 4/6, 6/3.

Singles Handicap, B. Class.—Second round, H. E. Stevens (owes 15) beat G. Wolf (owes 15) 4/3, 6/1.

Singles Handicap, C. Class.—Second round, Rouse (ser.) beat A. Hamilton (owes 15) 2/6, 6/3, 6/4. W. T. Elson received a walk over from Capt. Lindbergh.

Doubles Championship:—First round, Green and Abraham beat Chee and MacAskill 6/3, 6/4.

Doubles Handicap:—First round, Eggoras and Brown (owe 15) beat Tarrant and Spurge (reces 3-6) 7/5, 4/6, 8/6.

Second round, Dr. Forsyth and Lieut. Thompson (ser.) beat Brown and MacAskill (ser.) 6/3, 6/2. Purcell and May (owe 2-6) beat Hamilton and Barlow (owe 2-6) 6/1, 6/3.

White and Raven (reces 15) beat Elson and Kynoch (reces 15) 5/7, 6/4, 6/1.

Mixed Doubles Handicap:—First round, Mrs. Chee and Mr. Rose (owe 2-6) beat Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Chee (ser.) 6/3, 5/7, 6/4.

A Fine Game.

On the Chinese Recreation Club ground at Causeway Bay, on Saturday afternoon, the Civil Service met the Chinese Recreation Club in a friendly tennis match and lost by 9 games. The scores were:—

Wong Po Kio and Wei Wing Lok (Chinese Recreation Club) beat Birbeck and Bird 6-5; lost to Hutchison and Barlow 3-6; beat Phillips and Mackey 8-3.

Wong Po Keung and Ng Sze Yuen lost to Birbeck and Bird 1-10; lost to Hutchison and Barlow 5-6; beat Phillips and Mackey 8-6.

F. M. Mohler and Ng Sze Kwong beat Birbeck and Bird 7-4; beat Hutchison and Barlow 7-4; beat Phillips and Mackey 7-4.

Total scores: Chinese Recreation Club, 54 games, Civil Service 45 games.

POLO TOURNAMENT.

The Final.

There was plenty of excitement on Saturday, on the Polo Club Ground, at Causeway Bay, when the final of the tournament took place. The K.O.Y.L.I. and the B.G.A. were the competing teams, and every chuckle was fought with a keenness which never allowed interest to flag. The first mentioned team won by three goals to two, after playing extra time.

MARITAL ECCENTRICITIES.

A story is told of Joe Paisley, who officiated about 1791, that having united two couples who had arrived in a desperate hurry, he afterwards found the brides had been married to the wrong bridegrooms. "Awful," he said, "just sort yerself." Perhaps the most unique case on record is that of a couple who were married in the top-room of Grotna Hall, and, going outside, had so furious a quarrel that they promptly returned to the celebrant with a request for the knot to be untied again. After obliging them, and in a spirit of mischief, he instructed the one how to leave the house by one side, and the other by the opposite, so that they should not meet again. Mistaking his instructions, however, they came face to face in the central hall, where another celebrant, thinking to do them a kindness, speedily made them man and wife. Seeing in this the finger of Fate, they accepted the situation and went their way, married—a second time.

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe. Letters for this route should be superscribed via Siberia.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hupei, Hunan and Tientsin.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London March 30. Due Shanghai April 16.

MAILS DUE.

American, Mongolia, 7th prox. Siberian, Polynesia, 22nd inst. English, Oriental, 24th inst.

MAILS CLOSE.

Haiphong and Pakhoi.—Per Carl Diederichsen, 23rd April, 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria and United States via Seattle.—Per American, 23rd April, 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Fuzhou and Poreh.—Per Hatan, 23rd April, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Kobe.—Per Kutsang, 23rd April, 10 a.m.

Port Bayard.—Per American, 23rd April, 10 a.m.

Straits and Ceylon.—Per Atsuta-maru, 23rd April, 11 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles.—(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes will be included in this consignment mail.) (Late Letter, 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.)—Per Polynesia, 23rd April, 11 a.m.

Siam.—Per Landrat Schieff, 23rd April, noon.

Macao.—Per Sui Tai, 23rd April, 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands.—Per Kaifong, 23rd April, 8 p.m.

Port Bayard, Haiphong and Pakhoi.—Per Sikiang, 24th April, 8 a.m.

Pakhoi and Haiphong.—Per Hongkong, 24th April, 9 a.m.

Swatow.—Per Hatan, 24th April, 10 a.m.

Weihaiwei and Tientsin.—Per Cheong-shing, 24th April, 11 a.m.

Straits, and India via Calcutta.—Per Japan, 24th April, noon.

Macao.—Per Sui Tai, 24th April, 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe (Europe via Siberia).—Per Oriental, 24th April, 4 p.m.

Shanghai and North China.—Per Kwong-sang, 25th April, 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China.—Per Chin-han, 25th April, 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Fuzhou and Poreh.—Per Haiyang, 26th April, 10 a.m.

Batavia, Samang, Sourabaya, and Makassar.—Per Tjilwong, 26th April, 11 a.m.

Weihaiwei and Tientsin.—Per Hui-chow, 26th April, 3 p.m.

Tientsin and Chefoo.—Per Kinkiang, 26th April, 3 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Yokohama.—Per E. F. Ferdinand, 26th April, 5 p.m.

Timor, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand.—Per St. Albans, 27th April, 10 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta.—Per Namsang, 27th April, 10 a.m.

Timor, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand.—Per St. Albans, 27th April, 10 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. Late Letters Postage 10 cents. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes will be included in this consignment mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 26th April, at 5 p.m.—Per Assaye, 27th April, 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands.—Per Longsang, 27th April, 1 p.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia).—Per Anhui, 27th April, 6 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Naples. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes will be included in this consignment mail.) Late Letters 11 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Extra postage 10 cents.—Per Kiang, 29th April, 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia).—Per Anhui, 27th April, 6 p.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

The E. & A. s.s. Eastern, from Sydney, left Port Darwin yesterday for this port, via Timor and Manila.

The T. K. K. s.s. Chiyo Maru with U.S. Mail, is expected to arrive here on the 23rd inst., between 2 and 4 p.m.

The Seang Line s.s. Seanglo left Rangoon on the 20th inst. for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive on the 29th inst.

The American and Manchurian Line s.s. Walton Hall left Singapore on the 19th inst., and is due here on the 26th inst., a.m.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of Japan arrived at Kobe, at 5.30 p.m., on the 20th inst., and left again at midnight same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 3 a.m., on the 24th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Nili from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on the 22nd inst., en route to Hongkong, and is due to arrive on the 30th inst. She will be despatched for this port at 1 p.m., on the 14th prox., for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Shimidzu, Yokohama and Honolulu.

ARRIVED.

Ujina Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,248, Komatsu, 20th April—Miike 14th April, Coal.—M. B. K.

Defence, H. M. cruiser, 1,104, 20th April—England.

Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774, Ch. Jorgensen, 20th April—Haiphong and Hoihow 19th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Loeksun, Ger. s.s., 1,637, W. Tauben, 20th April—Bangkok and Saigon 16th April, Rice.—B. & E.

Matio, Ger. s.s., 1,169, Schlaikin, 20th April—Saigon 16th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Ponglong, Br. s.s., 998, W. Botefuhr, 20th April—Bangkok 16th April, Rice.—B. & S.

Tijlhwong, Dutch s.s., 3,061, A. Ollenburger, 20th April—Japan 11th April, Gen.—J. O. J. L.

Ceylon Mail, Jap. s.s., 3,142, M. Tozawa, 21st April—Singapore 16th April, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Cheongshing, Br. s.s., 1,259, Liddell, 21st April—Tientsin 10th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Iaitan, Br. s.s., 1,183, J. S. Roach, 21st April—Coast Ports 20th April, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Helen, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jensen, 21st April—Swatow 20th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Minnesota, Am. s.s., 13,823, T. W. Garlick, 21st April—Seattle 16th Mar., and Manila 18th April, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Namsang, Br. s.s., 2,591, P. M. B. Lake, 21st April—Woji 16th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Si Kiang, Fr. s.s., 616, E. de Catalano, 21st April—Haiphong and Kwongchowwan 20th April, Gen.—M. M.

Borneo, Br. s.s., 2,944, W. H. S. Hall, 21st April—London 9th Mar., Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Clara Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,103, A. Ulderup, 21st April—Manila 18th April, Billast.—J. & Co.

Chinhuu, Br. s.s., 1,270, Benson, 21st April—Shanghai 18th April, Gen.—B. & S.

Dorothea Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 2,614, W. Thiede, 21st April—Sabang 12th April, Gen.—M. B. K.

Hong Bao, Br. s.s., 2,056, Kinghorn, 21st April—Singapore 16th April, Gen.—Joo Tek Sang.

Hongkong, Br. s.s., 789, Cornelissen, 21st April—Haiphong 20th April, Gen.—A. R. Maury.

Kiukiang, Br. s.s., 1,223, Rolleston, 21st April—Chefoo 15th April, Gen.—B. & S.

Wong Koi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, H. Oltmann, 21st April—Singapore and Saigon 18th April, Rice.—B. & S.

Polynesia, Fr. s.s., 3,543, Dorise, 22nd April—Shanghai 19th April, Mail and Gen.—M. M.

Yarra, Fr. s.s., 2,676, Tivolle, 22nd April—Marseilles 22nd Mar., Gen.—M. M.

Rokkossu Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,250, Masuda, 22nd April—Wakamatsu 16th April, Coal.—M. B. K.

Panama Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,757, Kano, 22nd April—Shanghai 10th April, Gen.—O. S. K.

DEPARTED.

Linan, for Shanghai.

Haiman, for Swatow.

Dalgi-maru, for Formosa.

Tensho, for Shanghai.

Achilles, for Straits.

Fd, for Canton.

Changsha, for New Zealand.

Yarra, for Kobe.

Soria, for Swatow.

VESSELS IN PORT

STEAMERS.

Awa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,013, D. Shimidzu, 14th April—Shanghai 11th April, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Baron Innerdale, Br. s.s., 2,140, McAlister, 19th April—Sampa W.S.A. and Kobo 25th Jan., Phosphate.—D. S. Co.

Omabrio, Br. s.s., Skelton, 14th April—New Port 16th Feb., Coal.—B. & Co.

China, Am. s.s., 3,186, Emory Rice, 9th April—San Francisco 12th Mar., Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Dainichi Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,862, T. Nakamura, 14th April—Karatse 12th April, Coal.—Order.

Fukui Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,087, H. Fominaka, 19th April—Moji 14th April, Coal.—M. B. K.

Japan, Br. s.s., 6,018, A. Stewart, 19th April—Kobe and Moji 14th April, Gen.—D. S. & Co.

Kaifong, Br. s.s., 987, J. V. Sidford, 19th April—Manila, Iloilo and Cebu 16th April, Hemp.—B. & S.

Kaiji Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,292, Y. Yamamoto, 20th April—Swatow 19th April, Gen.—Order.

Kutsang, Br. s.s., 4,395, R. O. D. Bradley, 19th April—Calcutta, Straits and Singapore 19th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Landrat Schieff, Ger. s.s., 1,016, Bruger, 18th April—Bangkok and Hoihow 17th April, Rice.—S. & Co.

Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,760, A. Dixon, 20th April—San Francisco 21st Mar., Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

On Sang, Br. s.s., 1,787, A. G. Smith, 19th April—Chinwanlau 6th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Telamachus, Br. s.s., 1,310, Fraser, 19th April—Saigon 14th April, Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.

Too Sui, Br. s.s., 981, P. N. Marcussen, 19th April—Bangkok 10th April, Rice.—A. Buno.

Volunt, Br. s.s., 2,995, Wilton, 18th April—Tientsin 7th April Bulk oil.—A. P. & Co.

Yatsing, Br. s.s., 1,424, S. J. Payne, 17th April—Taigang 10th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOR OFFICE.

Dainichi-maru, for Karatsse.

Fukui-maru, for Wakamatsu.

Achilles, for Singapore.

Helen, for Hoihow.

Tensho-maru, for Kobe.

Brace, for Shanghai.

Hongbao, for Singapore.

Ceylon-maru, for Kobe.

Dorothea Rickmers, for Yokohama.

Clara Jensen, for Singapore.

Awa-maru, for Victoria.

Rokkossu-maru, for Canton.